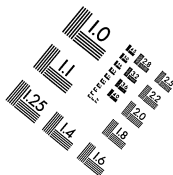
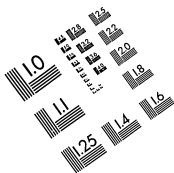


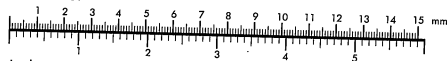


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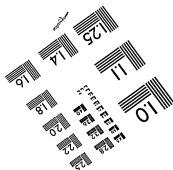
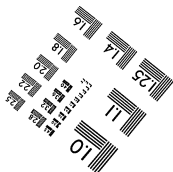
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1878. Phonograph - Edison Speaking Phonograph Company (D-78-030)

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(1)

This memorandum of agreement entered into this day
of January eighteen hundred and seventy eight by and
between Thomas A Edison of Menlo Park, Middlesex
County State of New Jersey party of the first part
and Gardiner G. Hubbard of Boston, ^{state of mass:} Massachusetts
G. S. Bradley of Providence State of Rhode Island
E. S. Bowditch of Cambridge state of
Massachusetts Chas. A. Cheever of the City
County state of New York, ~~William L.~~ Roosevelt
of the City County and state of New York
and W. H. Painter of Washington District of
Columbia parties of the second part.

witnesseth,

Whereas the said party of the first part is
the inventor of a new method for recording

(2)

and reproducing therefrom the human voice and other sounds by causing such sounds to vibrate a mobile body the movement of which are recorded by indentation, displacement, subtraction from or deposit upon any material, and the reproduction of the movement of such mobile body by causing its record or a copy thereof to give motion to another or the same body and which is more particularly set forth in the specification of his patent for which he did apply for in the United States patent office December 15- 1877, and whereas the said parties of the second part are desirous of engaging in the business of manufacturing or having manufactured and selling within the United States of America the Phonographic apparatus ^{machines} ~~connected~~ by and with issued by the party of the

first part for every purpose to which it can
or may be applied except to Watches, Clocks,
Toys of every description, ~~and telegraphs~~,

Therefore be it agreed that for and in consideration
of the sum of ten thousand dollars in hand
paid to the said ~~Edison~~ party of the first
part the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged
and for other and further valuable consideration
stipulation and agreement hereinafter set forth
The said Edison grants to the said parties of
the second part Collectively but not individually
the sole and Exclusive license and right
to manufacture, or cause to be manufactured and
sell within the United States of America
only and for consumption and use in the United
States of America only; and not for export
consumption or use in any foreign Country
The Phonetic Apparatus covered by the
application dated Dec. 15-1877 as herein

set forth for every purpose to which it
 may be applied except clocks and watches and
 Toys and ~~Telegraphs~~ the right and license
 to manufacture and sell within the United
 States the said invention of the said party of
 the first part when applied to clocks and
 watches having previous to this Contract been
 granted by the said Edison, ^{jointly} to, Daniel N
 Somers of the City Co and State of New York
 and ~~_____~~ Davis of Brooklyn Kings Co
 State of New York, a copy of which Contract
 is hereto annexed and the right & license
 to manufacture and sell within the
 United States the phonetic apparatus of
 the said Edison when applied to Toys
 for the use of children, granted by the
 said Edison to Oliver O'Rourke of
 the City Co State of New York
 previous to this Contract, a copy of which
 is also hereto annexed, which contracts ^{right claims} the said
 party of the second part hereby agrees to except from and
 recognize as not herein granted to them

The said right ^{thereof} hereby granted to the said
 parties of the said part and this Contract is to
 continue during the existence of the patent.

Providing however that the said parties of the
 second part ^{to separately or collectively} ~~from themselves~~ ^{into a joint}
~~stock company~~ within one year from the date

hereof with ~~a purpose~~ ^{fund} for the purpose of the said business a
 capital of not less
 than fifty thousand ^{which the said parties of the second part have agreed to} ~~dollars~~ ^{invest}
 for the sale abroad ~~of~~ ^{the} manufacturing and

~~selling of the phonographic apparatus of the~~
~~said Edison within the United States~~
~~the company Capital of such company~~ ^{shall}
~~select~~ ^{to} build up a permanent

business ~~in such~~ ^{for the exploitation of} "the"
 manufacture ^{to all} of such apparatus.
^{The parties of the second part} ^{will a truly}
 they and shall ^{pay} to the said Edison

Twenty per cent on the actual selling price
 of all apparatus ^{which} ~~shall~~ ^{be} the ~~result~~
~~of~~ ^{made} sold or delivered, and shall make
 due and correct return ~~thereof~~ ^{of the same}

under oath on or before the first of January ¹⁸⁸⁸
 the said Edison ~~to have access to the books of account~~
~~of the said company~~

Said Edison fail within one year from the date hereof fail to ~~so~~ perfect the said
 his said invention so as to render it
 unobtainable ^{unobtainable and not available to the public} to the public the said
^{if they so desire} he shall return Eight thousand
 * dollar of the said sum of ten thousand
 to this said party of the second part, but
 such a sum ^{is to be null and void}
 and this contract shall be all right
 thereunder is to be quickly surrendered
 by the said party of the 2nd part to
 the said Edison if they so elect,

~~or so desired~~
 * It is further agreed that they the
 said party of the second part will
 use reasonable diligence in proceeding
 establishing a permanent business
 for the sale of such apparatus ^{with us} as herein
 provided.

It is further agreed that the said Edison
 will at his own expense protect as far as
 lays within his power the said invention
 from piracy or infringement, and all
 improvements ^{upon} ~~to the said~~ apparatus for the
 recording and reproduction of the human
 voice or other sounds made except when
^{such improvements} they relate to and are for specific use
 in telegraphy, which may be made by the
 said Edison within the next ten years ^{from the date hereof} ~~within the next ten years~~
 are to come within the provisions
 of the Contract ~~and the same shall be~~
~~and the said Edison is to receive the percentage before mentioned upon~~
~~the amount of the said improvements~~
~~to be made by him or by others in the manner of~~
~~the said improvements~~
 It is further agreed that to more particularly
 define and to enable the said Edison to
 receive a just and equitable consideration
~~not subject to~~ through the medium of
 the twenty per cent royalty ^{to be} paid him
~~and it is he and not subject to it is hereby~~

Expressly agreed that the minimum selling price for each and every apparatus for the recording and reproduction of the human voice or musical sound shall not be less than eighty dollars. But if at any future time it can be shown to the satisfaction of the said Edison that it would be advantageous ~~to sell~~ to both parties to this contract to sell at a lower sum or should any other person at any future time devise an apparatus for a similar purpose not an infringement of the invention of the said Edison renders it necessary by its ~~own~~ competition in the market to sell at a lower sum then the said Edison shall name a lower sum to enable the said parties of the second part to compete with the said other apparatus with

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Hereafter, no discrimination in the
 rates of prices shall be made between
 any corporation or individual when
 such corporation desires to buy and use
 in their business and not for resale to
 others,

~~if any person or persons shall acquire~~
~~rights to the said plant or the~~
~~except for water clocks & may at their~~
~~fact and the approval of the~~
~~right shall be considered as~~
~~the business of the~~

(Hardin & Hurlburt.)

- 1st N. & associates to pay, Edison \$10,000 Cash to be expended in perfecting the Phonograph for its various uses
- 2nd Edison to enter into Contract with N. & associates granting them the sole & exclusive right to manufacture & sell within the U.S. only (the clock & toy contracts excepted) the Phonograph on a royalty of 20% during the life of the Patents
- 3rd Edison to retain title to the Patent to pay all expenses in defending such Patent against infringers. to agree that all improvements on the Phonograph shall come under the Contract
- 4th N. & associates to organize a Co within one year with sufficient Capital to coach such invention in all parts of the Country in a first class manner & to supply all demands therefor
- 5th That after expiration of one year N. & associates have not organized such Co & have not used reasonable diligence in introducing the invention The \$10,000 is to be forfeited but this is to be fully set forth in the Contract

6th Eight thousand of the ten thousand Dollars is to be repaid to paid Hubbard & associates if Edison does not within the year produce Phonographs which shall be satisfactory as machines for reproducing dictating letters or musical compositions - a failure to do perfect the contract is to be void at their option. N & associates risking \$2000 to ascertain the practicability. The payment of royalties to be quarterly as in my clock contract which with the Toy contract is to be excepted from this contract.

7th Edison agrees if any other person or persons shall prove any right to use such Phonographic apparatus except for watches & toys of aforesaid such rights shall be considered as coming under this contract. Edison to be Director with 1/20 of the profit

6th In case said business Company
is not organized ~~to be~~
~~formed~~ ~~within~~ as hereinafter
within one year, said parties
will reassign said patent
rights to said Edison on equal
terms with per from any
such circumstances made
by him -

7 Said Edison to be a trustee
of said Company & said it by
his counsel advised -

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1-30-1878

This memorandum of agreement entered into
this Thirtieth day of January, Eighteen Hun-
dred and Seventy Eight by and between
Thomas A. Edison of Wants Park, Middlesex
County, State of New Jersey, party of the
first part and Gardner C. Hubbard of Boston
State of Massachusetts, E. F. Bradley of
Providence, State of Rhode Island, Chas.
A. Cheever of the City, County and State of
New York, Hilbourne, E. Roosevelt of the
City, County and State of New York and
W. H. Painter of Washington, District of
Columbia, parties of the second part

Witnesseth:

Whereas the said party of the first part
is the inventor of a new method of re-
cording and reproducing therefrom the
human voice and other sounds by caus-
ing such sounds to vibrate a mobile body
the movements of which are recorded by
indentation, displacement, subtraction
from or deposit upon any material, and
the reproduction of the movements of
such mobile body by causing its record
or a copy thereof to give motion to an-
other or the same body and which is more
particularly set forth in the specifications
of his patent for which he did apply for
in the United States Patent Office December

15th 1877 and —

Whereas the said parties of the second part are desirous of engaging in the business of manufacturing or having manufactured and selling within the United States of America the Phonographic apparatus and method invented by the party of the first part for ~~any~~ purpose to which it can or may be applied except to Watches & Clocks. Toys of every description

Therefore be it agreed that for and in consideration of the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars in hand paid to the said party of the first part the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and for other and further valuable considerations stipulations and agreements hereinafter set forth:

The said Edison grants to the said parties of the second part collectively but not individually the sole and exclusive power and right to manufacture or cause to be manufactured and sell within the United States of America only and for consumption and use in the United States of America only and not for export consumption or use in any foreign country

The phonetic apparatus covered by the application dated December 15th 1874 as herein set forth, for every purpose to which it may be applied except Clocks and Watches and Toys, certain rights and licenses to manufacture and sell within the United States the said invention of the said party of the first part when applied to Clocks and watches having previous to this contract been granted by the said Edison jointly to Samuel H. Benson of the City, County and State of New York and H. J. Davies of Brooklyn, Kings County, State of New York a copy of which contract is hereto annexed and certain rights and licenses to manufacture and sell within the United States the Phonetic apparatus of the said Edison when applied to Toys for the use of children, granted by the said Edison to Oliver H. Russell of the City, County and State of New York previous to this contract a copy of which is also hereto annexed, which Contract, rights and licenses the said parties of the second part hereby agree to except from and recognizes as not herein granted to them the said right and license ^{hereby} granted to the said parties of the second part and this contract as to continue during the

existence of the patent providing however that the said parties of the second part do separately or collectively within one year from the date hereof furnish for the purpose of the said business a capital of not less than Fifty Thousand Dollars to be used for the sole object of manufacturing and selling the Phonographic apparatus of the said Edison within the United States and to build up a permanent business in the manufacture and sale of such apparatus; and the parties of the second part shall will and truly pay to the said Edison twenty per cent on the actual selling price of all apparatus or articles made sold or delivered and shall make true and correct returns under oath on or before the fifteenth day of each and every month of all sales of such apparatus made and sold or delivered during the previous month and allow the said Edison to have access to the Books and accounts at all reasonable times

It is expressly agreed and understood by the said parties of the second part that the main consideration to the said Edison in this contract is the twenty per cent royalty on the actual selling price of all apparatus containing the phonetic invention

of the said Edison to be paid by them the said parties of the second part to the said party of the first part promptly and at the time herein mentioned and that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars paid to ^{as the consideration to the said Edison} the said Edison to enter into this contract and grant the exclusive privileges herein set forth to the said parties of the second part

It is known understood and agreed that the said sum of Ten Thousand Dollars is to be used by the said Edison to perfect the said Phonographic invention so as to render it of great practical value for many uses such as the reproduction of speeches and musical compositions. If the said Edison shall not within one year from this date hereof succeed in so developing and perfecting a satisfactory apparatus for dictating letters or reproducing musical compositions then in that case the parties of the second part shall have the privilege of terminating this agreement upon written notice to the party of the first part to that effect and this agreement shall then cease and become null and void providing the said Edison shall at the time of receiving said notice or within fifteen days thereafter pay to the party of the second part

the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars (\$8000.)
In the event of the said Edison upon such
notice failing to pay the Eight Thousand
Dollars as herein above stated then and in
that case this agreement shall continue in
force the same as if said notice had not
been given by the party of the second part.
And it is further agreed that if the said
Edison shall not return to the party of
the second part Eight Thousand Dollars
(\$8000) as therein before provided for, the
said party of the second part shall still
have the right to terminate this agreement.
It is further agreed that ^{they} the said parties of
the second part will use reasonable diligence
in prosecuting and establishing a perman-
ent business for the sale of such apparatus
in the United States as herein provided.
It is further agreed if the said parties of the
second part fail to render a true and correct
monthly statement of all sales for each and
every month during the continuance of this
contract as herein provided after the man-
ufacture and sale of the article has commen-
ced or fails to pay the royalty of twenty per cent
on the selling price of all articles or appa-
ratus containing the invention of the said
Edison as aforesaid at the periods herein

mentioned or do not use reasonable diligence
in establishing and prosecuting the business
of making and selling such apparatuses
within the United States then the said
Edison shall have the right to terminate
this agreement and it shall be null and
void and all rights and licenses and the
said parties of the second part shall
have no claims upon the said Edison
for any money that may have been paid
to him. It is further agreed that if at
the expiration of one year from the date
hereof the said parties of the second part
shall have failed to furnish Fifty Thou-
sand Dollars (\$50000) for the purpose
aforesaid then the said Edison shall
have the right to terminate this agree-
ment but shall have no further claims
upon the said parties of the second part.
It is further agreed that the said Edison
will at his own expense protect as far
as lays within his power the said inven-
tion from piracy or infringement and all
improvements upon apparatus for the
recording and reproducing of the human
voices or other sounds except when such
improvements relate to and are for specific
use in telegraphy and solely adapted there-
to and clocks watches and Toys aforesaid

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which may be made by the said Edison within seventeen years from the date hereof as to come within the provisions of this contract and the said Edison as to receive the percentage before mentioned upon all articles containing said improvements. To enable the said Edison to receive a just and equitable consideration through the medium of the twenty per cent royalty to be paid him it is hereby expressly agreed that the minimum selling price for each and every apparatus for the recording and reproduction of the human voice or musical sounds shall not be less than Eighty dollars. But if at any future time it can be shown to the satisfaction of the said Edison that it would be advantageous to both parties to this contract to sell at a lesser sum or should any other person at any future time devise an apparatus for a similar purpose not an infringement of the invention of the said Edison and under it necessary by its competition in the market to sell at a lesser sum then the said Edison shall name a lesser sum to enable the said parties

of the second part to compete with the said
other apparatus with profit but no dis-
crimination in the matter of price shall
be made between any Corporation or indi-
vidual where such Corporation desires to
buy and use in their business and not
for resale to others

In witness whereof we have here-
unto set our hands and seals this thirtieth
day of January 1878

Witness

H K Applebaugh

for H. L. R. Co.

G. L. H. & Co.

Witness

R W Alexander

Cardinal C. Hubbard

Holbourne S. Rosewell

George S. Bradley

Chas A. Scherer

W H Painter

Thos A. Edison

Manus Park 20 of February 20, 1878
In consideration of services ^{most fully performed} performed by James Adams
of Manus Park 20 in perfecting the Phonographic apparatus above
mentioned Adams agrees to pay to the said Adams his heirs
(And to pay five dollars in cash hand and bill)
on legal representatives five per cent for all monies which
may accrue from royalties from the sale of machines under the
above contract. It being understood that under the above occi-
ed contract the said Edison agrees but fifteen per cent
therein mentioned. And the said Edison being under contract
to pay W H Painter of Washington D. C. five per cent of the said
twenty per cent for services performed in obtaining such
contract. It is understood that the said Adams is not

to receive any part of the ten thousand dollars paid
to the said Edison to aid him in experimenting
This contract shall be binding upon the heirs or
legal representatives of the said Edison
Witness

W. C. C. C.

Thos A Edison

This agreement entered into this day
of July, by & between T A Edison & B
M P. Mox & Co. State of N.Y. ply of & ~~for~~
and J. Oliver Russell of the City of New York
of my ply of & 2nd part ~~with~~
whereas the said Edison is the inventor
of a new process for recording reproducing
therefrom. Sounds of various kinds such as
talking, music, etc and has duly applied for a
patent for the same in the US patent office
and whereas of ~~whereas~~ the said Edison
whereas the said Russell is desirous
of applying said process to various
for the use of children.
toys, which serve as such as dolls, ^{or toys} ~~automation~~
for ~~causing~~ such dolls ^{to} speak
or make certain sounds
several specific ~~utterances~~ or make various
sounds, and to ^{toys} ~~boxes~~ which speak several
specific utterances or for ^{toys} ~~musical boxes~~ which
shall play but one tune, and to all manner of
toys which are solely for the use of children
and no useful purpose in the imitation of

~~Commonwealth~~ ~~business~~, and of obtaining an
 and ~~exclusive~~ ~~exclusive~~ license from the said
 Edison to manufacture & sell ^{such} ~~the~~ ^a apparatus
 embodying such process ^{such as the one here shown} to the trade, for a
 period of 5 years from the date hereof
 and extensions from that time as hereafter
 provided,

Therefore be it agreed that for and in
 consideration of the sum of one dollar
 in hand paid to me the said Edison by
 the said Russell the receipt of which
 is hereby acknowledged & for other & further
 valuable consideration of the said
 Edison do hereby grant & give unto the
 said Russell the sole right and
 license to manufacture & sell ~~the~~
~~apparatus invented by me~~ for the
 reproduction to the trade, apparatus for
 reproducing the human voice & other sounds.
^{which apparatus is only applied to}
^{which are only applicable to} toys for the
 use of children and which are serve no
 useful purpose in the transaction of business
~~or the reproduction~~ or has a value in any art
 science or trade other than the toy trade

Providing However that the said Russell will invest
sufficient capital ^{at once} in such business to supply the
demand for such apparatus and use diligence
in promoting the ~~business~~ ^{business} and establishing a
permanent business ^{for the said} ~~business~~ apparatus
and that ^{he} ~~he~~ ^{renders a} ~~a~~ monthly ~~statement~~ ^{statement}
to the said Edison of all sales ~~and which~~ ^{and which} statement
shall be sworn to in the manner provided for
royalty Contract and the payment to the
said Edison ^{by the said Russell} of the 10 per cent of the
~~gross~~ ^{gross} receipts from such sales ^{within} ~~on~~ the first
of the month following ^{and a failure to comply}
~~it is further agreed on the part of the said~~
Edison that ^{if} ~~at any time during the~~
Continuation of the Contract ~~shall be subject~~
~~to the sole discretion of the said Edison~~
the said Russell desires to apply the
apparatus hereinafter mentioned to other Toys
not mentioned in the Schedule 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.
Then he shall have the right to so apply
and it shall come under the provisions
of the Contract. Provided however
that ~~such~~ ^{the thing} ~~application~~ shall to which

the application is desired to be made is strictly
 a toy for the use and amusement of children
 which shall be ^{not} useful in business transaction
 or in the arts or science, ^{or any useful purpose other than the invention is made of} nothing in the Contract
 shall be construed to give the said Russell,
 any right to manufacture, have manufactured
 or sell the apparatus herein mentioned except
 when applied to the ^{toy} articles mentioned in
 the Schedule or which may be added
 by consent of the said Edison ^{to such schedule} by
~~for the purpose of the Contract as herein~~
 provided =

It is further ^{agreed} provided that the said
 Edison will grant & does hereby grant to the
 said Russell the right to make six Sphy
 Phonographs to be used solely at the
 place or places of manufacture to produce
 original matrix's to enable dies or electotypes
 to be made therefrom for the rapid duplication
 of such records for application to the
 Toys aforesaid, and they are to be used
 for no other purpose;

Hereafter agreed that should the said
 Russell fail to ~~make~~ ^{render} ~~monthly~~ ^{monthly} ~~statements~~ ^{statements} or ^{or} ~~to~~ ^{or} ~~pay~~ ^{pay} the sums due said Edison at the
 times herein mentioned or should the latter
 royally paid the said Edison be less
 than \$6000 ^{in each year} ~~per year~~ ~~commencing~~ ~~from~~
~~the date hereof~~ ^{from the date hereof} then the
 said Edison shall have the right to
 terminate the agreement upon giving
 two months previous notice in writing
~~that is, first, provide~~ ^{that is, first, provide}
~~that the royalties paid to the~~
~~said Edison be not less than 6000 in~~
~~each and every year then the~~ ^{the}
~~the five years in~~ ^{that the}
~~Contract shall be extended from year to~~
~~year after the~~ th ~~terminates~~ ^{terminates} of the
 Contract it may be extended from year to
 year provided all its provisions have been
 carried out in good faith and the sums
 royalties paid said Edison has not been
 less than \$6000 in the ^{year} ~~year~~ ^{year} ~~preceeding~~
 year to that to which it is to be extended

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This agreement..

Whereas the said Edison is the inventor of a process and apparatus for recording and reproducing the human voice and various other sounds and has applied for a patent upon the same in the United States patent office,

And whereas the said Russell is desirous of engaging in the business of manufacturing or having manufactured and selling to the trade apparatus which embody this process ^{in the United States} when applied to the following Toys,

First. Dolls which speak several sentences or make various sounds;

Second. ^{to} A Toy musical box which shall produce but one tune either vocal or instrumental and suitable ^{out} for children.

Third. ^{to} A Toy speaking box which shall reproduce several sentences, containing not more than 60 words, and suitable ~~only~~ ^{for children} for children.

To Toy
fourth, Dogs cats and various animals and reptiles
~~to~~ ^{to} make various sounds, ^{to} ~~to~~ ^{to} Male and female
human figures to utter short sentences.

Fifth, To Toy Engines, to whistle & imitate the
sound of the Exhaust of steam
~~to~~ ^{5th} ~~to~~ ^{to} To Toy Targets,

Therefore be it agreed that for and in consideration
of the sum of one dollar in hand paid to the said
Edison by the said Russell the receipt of
which is hereby acknowledged, and for other
^{valuable} ^{agreements} ^{considerations} hereinafter mentioned
the said Edison grants unto the said Russell
the sole & exclusive ^{benefit} right to manufacture or
cause to be manufactured the said
apparatus necessary to and to sell to the
whole apparatus applicable to the articles
enumerated in the ^{1 2 3 4 & 5th,} ^{scheduled number}
within the University of Wisconsin only
for a period of 5 years from the date
hereof. ^{for which} The said Edison is to

Provide a royalty of ten per cent ~~on~~
^{on all gross sales} ^{on all gross sales} ^{on all gross sales} ^{on all gross sales}
~~the price of each article~~ ^{the price of each article} ^{the price of each article} ^{the price of each article}

List of Toys

Dolls.

Toys of Male and Female figures.

Toys of Animals Birds & Reptiles

Mechanical Toys

Toy Talking Box

" Singing "

Magnetic Toys

Magic Lanterns

Balloons

Match Boxes

Toy Musical Instruments

Targets

Alphabets &c. Blocks.

Toy Animals.

Oliver J. Russell,

Clocks & Time keepers
Contract made with
Daniel M. Somers
and Henry J. Davis
on Manufacture Prices

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This agreement entered into this day of January eighteen hundred and twenty eight by and between Thomas A. Edison of Montic Park, Middlesex Co. State of New Jersey and Oliver O. Russell of the city county and state of New York, witnesses:-

Whereas the said Edison is the inventor of a new ^{method} ~~process~~ for record^{ing} and reproducing therefrom the human voice and other sounds, by causing such sounds to vibrate a mobile body the movements of which are recorded by indentation, displacement, substitution from or deposit upon any material, and the reproduction of the movements of such mobile body by causing its record to give motion to another or the same mobile body, for which he ^{or a copy thereof} ~~has~~ applied for a patent in the United States Patent Office, December 15th 1877, and whereas the said Russell is desirous of engaging in the business of manufacturing or having manufactured and selling to the Toy Trade apparatus which embody ^{apparatus which embody} ~~this process~~ ^{adapted to} applied to the following toys. First To enable to speak ^{sixty words} ~~the words~~ or make various sounds.

Second—To a toy musical box which shall produce but one tune, either vocal or instrumental and suitable only for children.

Third To a Toy speaking box which shall reproduce several sentences, containing not ~~more~~ ^{than} sixty words in all.

Fourth To Toy Animals, ^{Birds} and reptiles to make various

sounds and to male and female human figures to utter ^{Sixty words or less} ~~resemblance~~

First To Toy Engines to whistle and imitate the exhaust of steam

Second - To Toy Targets

Therefore be it agreed that for and in consideration of the sum of one dollar in hand paid to the said Edison by the said Russell, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and for other and further valuable consideration and agreements hereinafter mentioned, the said Edison grants to the said Russell the sole and exclusive license and right to manufacture, or cause to be manufactured and to sell to the toy trade within the United States only and for consumption in the United States only and not for export to any foreign country, the apparatus applicable to the articles enumerated ^{hereinbefore and} ~~with schedule~~, numbered 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 ~~and 6~~, which license and right and this contract, is to continue for a period of five years from the date hereof. Providing however that the said Russell ^{do} ~~shall~~ must sufficient capital at once in the business of supply ^{ing} the trade with such apparatus and ^{do} ~~shall~~ ^{the necessary} diligence in prosecuting and establishing a permanent business for the sale of such apparatus as herein provided and shall make true ^{and correct} returns under oath on or before the fifteenth day of each and every month to the said Edison of all sales of such ^{apparatus or devices during the previous month and of the time which will be paid to} ~~the said Edison~~ ^{the said Edison} ~~of~~ ten per cent ~~of~~ ^{of} the selling price ~~of~~ ^{of} all articles ^{so} ~~made and sold~~ ^{made and sold}

the ~~good sales on or before the fifteenth day of the first month~~
~~following, whichever.~~

It is further agreed on the part of the said Edison that if at any time during the continuance of this agreement the said Russell desires to apply the apparatus herein mentioned to other Toys ^{known to} not mentioned in the schedule marked 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and does hereby grant to the said Russell the right to make to ~~make~~ ^{use} Speaking Phonographs to be used solely at the place or places of their manufacture to produce original matrices to enable dies, or electrotype or casts to be made from the same records produced by such machines for the rapid multiplication of such records to be used in the Toys aforesaid; and these machines are to be used for no other purposes;

It is further agreed that if the said Russell fails, to render a ^{monthly} statement of all sales for each and every month during the continuance of this contract as herein provided or fails to pay the sum due the said Edison on account of royalties, or if the total sum paid the said Edison ^{on account of royalties} shall be less than six thousand dollars in each and every year, then the said said Edison shall have the right to terminate the agreement and it shall become null and void upon giving ^{three months previous notice in writing} to the said Edison ^{that gave notice to him to transfer his cash tray apparatus}.

It is further provided that after the termination of this Contract, ^{at the option of the said Russell} it may be extended from year to year, ^{provided} all its provisions have been carried out in good faith and

the aforesaid said Edison has not been less than ^{\$5000} ~~\$5000~~ and dollars in the year previous to ^{the} ~~the~~ date of its termination in which it is ~~agreed to be extended~~.

It is further agreed on the part of the said Russell that he will not transfer ^{or} this Contract to any other person or persons without the written consent of the said Edison.

The Telephone Company of New York.

32 TRIBUNE BUILDING.

HILBORNE L. ROOSEVELT
CHARLES A. CHEEVER, ManagersNew York, Feb'y 11th 1878

Dear Edison

Yours of the 10th received with the card of Richmond and Harris, and letter from University of Rochester, many thanks for same. I know Richmond & Harris as they are in the punch business. Harris called on me Saturday afternoon.

Now my dear fellow if you go getting off on your ear the way you have done this time you and I will have a row. Did you suppose for a minute that I had any doubt that you were going to get the bonds or whether it is any of my business any how whether you got the bonds or whether you did not, that was your look-out. We agreed to pay you the money and it was none of our business what you did with it, what I said was merely as a suggestion.

Mr Hubbard writes that he approves of the plan of having the 500 small Phonographs made, says of course not to deliver any until after the patent is issued but that it will be no harm to be getting them ready.

Let me have the model one as

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O A Greener
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soon as possible and I will then go for the kids. Cannot you get up some easy way of putting the tin foil around them smooth, seems to me it might be done some way by first wrapping it on a roller and then rolling it round. I find the greenhorns & I know how it is myself & will have difficulty at first in putting the foil on smooth. Mr Hubbard has Allen Painter who says that the Patent office have been waiting for some amendment of the specifications to be made by Serrell, that if the amendments are made and in the office before next Saturday the patent can be issued the following week. Mr Hubbard also says that if it is convenient and agreeable he should like to have Mr Pollok (his attorney in Washington) see the specification

Yours truly
Chas A Greener

Form 7.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD CO.'S TELEGRAPH

[Telegraph.]

Received, A.P. Office, Supt. Operator, 1139 d'olive St. Phila 71875
From New York For P. B. Sedgwick
Barth R. H.

When will that Machine
promised on Monday
be here sig. C.

J. Reed

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PENNSYLVANIA POWER CO'S TELETYPE

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~~Eff. Johnson~~

Chas. A. Cheever

Tribune Building

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Edison

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Office of
Charles M. Hoover, Treas.

32 Tribune Building

New York, Feb'y 28th 1878

P.O. No. 5529

Dear Mr Edison

Your favor of yesterday with
various letters regarding Phonograph rec^d,
for which I thank you

Yours in haste

Chas. M. Hoover

I A Edison
or Salton

of Boston Call
on me left order
for 2 Phonographs
one long one short
and price of each
is required what
shall I say to him
about them he wants
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possible he was
at Menlo Park
seen them was
liked very much

Murray —

J S Murray
Mar 2

1878-03-02
Sat.

not
indicated

I call at his
place to see
him but give
him no answer
till you make

the arrangements
so let me know
so I can write
to him —

Saturday March 2nd

2 P M

[MARCH 2, 1878]

Prof. Dalton called
on me to get two photos
said you sent him I
called to see him at
Medical College N.Y.
Saw several of Prof.
All were very anxious
to get his as soon as I
could I told him I had
seen you about them
and let him know —
Tell me what I will say
he wants Price of each
say he is in Boston
Will me to write them
they let me know soon
Thos. J. Murray —

Newark Mar 4th 78

J A Edison Esq

what will small
one cost as he was
carefull to make
Enquiry about two
Singes he was delighted
with them and may
be the means of some
out let for them as he
wants to use them on
lecture tour to
illustrate sound —
He is in Boston J T Murray

Saturday Evn March 9th 78

J A Edison Esq

I seen E. H. Johnson in
N.Y and gave him on the
large Phonograph #365 and
Chasman thinks Price is
too much I do not what
do you say about it
I want the work very
much and I dont think
so out of the way to make
first class Inet which
I will make if I make
any to make them a success
he should be made very
particular J T Murray
answers

My Sir

I see Adams
has a Photo of Phila
as he is shown in there
Can't you have him
send it to me here
for a day or two - I'll
take good care of it &
only want to show it to
few persons in your
interest as well as mine

Yours
J. McKim



[MARCH 12, 1878]

Mr. A. Edison
I deliver to Mr. Windsor the
Clock movement to Speaking Machine
of yours I am sure that this one
will give satisfaction, please be as kind
as to send once a clock at once as I
had to lay out a good deal of money
you want it in ~~100~~ 100
Henry David 338 East 13

Office of
Charles M. Hoover, Treas.

32 Tribune Building

N. C. D. 5539

New York, March 14th 1878

Dear Edison

Your letter regarding rubber tubing received I have a man out "raising hell" about it now and hope to send it to you this afternoon.

Will you please give me a list of the names and addresses of every-one who has one of your Phonographs in this country, stating whether it is a large or a small one I want to know particularly because I have reason to suppose that there are already one or two infringers but do not want to go for them and be snapped up by "Why Mr Edison gave that to me" which I might do by mistake.

Look out that your friend Puckas gets those foreign Patents P. D. Q. or you will be my dear fellow in the same box that our friend Alexander Graham Bell is in now not being able to get Patents in a good many countries because the time of limitation in a good many countries has expired. Come in and

see a fellow when you are in town.
How is the H - Ariphone getting on?

Yours Truly

Chas. Alhauer

Chas. Alhauer
March 28

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A. N. BREWER, Sec'y.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated New York Mo 25 1878

Received at _____

By J. A. Dixon
memo Paris
mf

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

see Sunday world's Business
opportunities Column
advertisements of Hughes
Photograph

J. D. Griffin

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Est

go for this man
see what he got
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Wm. M. Ch 28/74
H. D. Fri.

Open this Pkg
in an Exhausted
Glass receiver or
you will lose the
Contents - a small
agate point.

Yours
J. H. M.

P. O. Box 5529

32 TRIBUNE BUILDING

New York, April 6, 1878

T. A. Edison. Esq.

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Mr. Hunt, Barney

1) personally known to us
to be a gentleman conversantly
fitted to introduce your
Phonograph into the most
cultivated & scientific society
in Geneva and we think
it would be well for your
interests & reputation to allow
him to have one of the small-
ones as promised

Yours very truly
Wm. Frothingham.

Dear Leonard - Jim Bathie, in perfectly satisfied that the gentleman is straight and honest that he does not need any other thing, if I could not believe the model like to let you know - please send your thanks - Wm. A. Bathie.

Salem, Mass. Apr. 18⁷⁸

Prof. Edison.

Telegraph immediately ~~address~~
New York city address of Phonograph Co.
office.

Geo. H. Parry.
G.H.

4 H. H. H. H. H.
Nov. 1871

J. E. H. H. H.

Washington

April 16, 1878

Thomas Edison Esq.

Dear Sir,

My friend
Mr. Bedpath, desires to
make some arrangement
with us for introducing
the Phonograph to the
public, by a series of
lectures, carried on sim-
ultaneously in different
parts of the country. He

was very much pleased
with the exhibition of the
phonograph at Mr. Painter's
last evening, & wishes to
know the inventor of this
wonderful instrument.

Mr. Painter advised him
to go on to New York to see
Mr. Johnson & make your
acquaintance.

I know that you will
be interested in him &
he in you, & commend
him to your kind attentions.

I am

Yours Truly

Harmon G. Hubbard

[APRIL 17, 1878]

Dear Sir - Philadelphia
~~See message from~~
Please telegraph
to me No 1316 Walnut
St Philadelphia if I
will find you home on
Friday at 1.30 P.M.
16 of Roosevelt
Should you want your name
may be signed - come to 1316 Walnut St Phil

New York, April 22^d 1878.

Thos. A. Edison Esq.

Menlo Park.

N. J.

Dear Sir:

I find it desirable that I should have some one to join me in the development of the Contract dated Aug. 7th 1878, for the use of your Phonograph invention to be applied to Toys, and I have made arrangements with Mr. Charles B. Harris for that purpose - As it is necessary under the terms of the Contract to obtain your written consent to give any person a right under that Contract, I shall be obliged if you will give me the same -

Very respectfully,

Oliver D. Russell.

G. G. Hubbard
Apr 24, 78

Photo. C. W. Photo Co.

1878, Apr. 24.

Washington April 24

Dear Mr Edison

I have a letter
today from Mrs Hubbard
written three days after her
arrival at London. Mr
Bell made a speech at
a large meeting in behalf
of a new school to teach
the deaf articulation. He
said if Mr Edison could
take a piece of iron smasher
that ^{first} think, how much
easier should it be for
the good teacher to take
the vocal organs God had

Yrs
G. G. Hubbard

made. & bid them take
Mr Bell is very much pleased
with the photograph Mrs
Hubbard carried over

Would you & Mr Bell
ever visit & compare

notes - I am yours truly

Samuel J. Hubbard

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION

OF

THE EDISON SPEAKING PHONOGRAPH COMPANY.

APRIL 24, 1878.

STATE OF CONNECTICUT.

OFFICE OF

SECRETARY OF STATE.

THE EDISON SPEAKING PHONOGRAPH COMPANY.

TO ALL PERSONS TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS MAY COME :

The undersigned, being the President and a majority of the Directors of "The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company," a corporation organized under the Statute Laws of the State of Connecticut regulating the formation of joint stock corporations and located in the Town of Norwalk, County of Fairfield, in said State, in pursuance of said Statute Laws, hereby certify as follows, to wit :

1st: The purposes for which said corporation is formed are the following, to wit :

To manufacture, rent and sell phonographic apparatus and to buy, own, sell and deal in any patent right or any

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interest in the same, and any real or personal property necessary or convenient for the prosecution of said business, and generally to do all things incidental to said business and to the proper management thereof.

2d: The amount of its capital stock is six hundred thousand dollars.

3d: The amount of its capital stock actually paid in is twenty-five shares of the par value of six hundred and twenty-five dollars paid in cash at par.

4th: The names and residence of its stockholders and the number of shares owned by each respectively are as follows, to wit:

Names of Stockholders.	Residence.	No. of Shares.
W. K. Applebaugh, ...	Brooklyn, N. Y.	Five.
Wm. H. Hayward, ...	Norwalk, Conn...	do
Timothy Cornwell, ...	Brooklyn, N. Y.	do
William L. Canineo, ...	do	do
Anthony Gref, Jr., ...	do	do

And in further pursuance of said Statute Laws we cause this certificate to be deposited with the Secretary of the State of Connecticut and a duplicate thereof with the Town Clerk of the Town of Norwalk, in which town said corporation is to transact its business.

Dated at Norwalk, Conn., this twenty-fourth day of April, 1878.

W. K. APPLEBAUGH,
President.

W. K. APPLEBAUGH, }
W. H. HAYWARD, } Directors.
TIMOTHY CORNWELL, }

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STATE OF NEW YORK, }
City and County of New York, } ss.:

Be it known that on this twenty-fourth day of April, 1878, before me personally came William K. Applebaugh, the President, and also the said William K. Applebaugh, William H. Hayward and Timothy Cornwell, being a majority of the Directors, and each made oath before me that the above certificate signed by them is true, and they also acknowledged before me that they executed the same for the purposes therein stated.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City, County and State of New York, April 24th, 1878.

A. C. ANDERSON,
[A. S.] A Commissioner for the State of Connecticut, residing in the City, County and State of New York, 10 Chambers Street.

Received and filed April 25, 1878.

[20100]

Doc

I will be at
Johnson's dinner
about noon. See you
unless something occurs
to prevent. My love
to all

A. H. Painter

W. 7-25-78

Office of
Charles A. Cheever, Treas.

32 ²²⁸ ^{NY} ~~Trinities~~ Building
WAY

New York, May 2^d 1878.

N.C. Dec 23/77

Dear Mr Edison

We are to have a meeting of the Phonograph Company on Saturday to decide some important matters, and we very much desire that you will be present.

Please come in on that day

Yours Truly

Chas. A. Cheever

1193 Broadway
New York May 8th 1878

Thos A Edison Esq

My Sir. Acting on your suggestion, I have engaged John Ott to report to you, to work under your instructions for the purpose of getting a toy box, such as we talked of yesterday, I have given him money to purchase supplies for immediate use. I feel more confidence in the success of this step, than any that has yet been taken towards producing toys, and that it will result to our mutual benefit.

Hollingshead will continue his electrolytic experiments. Have cabled Quaker. Yours truly,
R Harris

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A. R. BREWER, Sec'y.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated *New York May 15th* 1878

Received at
To *J. A. Edison*

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

*Will you be
at home tomorrow
afternoon -*

Chas. A. Churn

E. P. Bullard,

Dealer in Machinery,

14 Jay Street.

New York, May 17 1878

Thos A Edison

Meigs Park N.Y.

Dear Sir

We are prepared to
make your Phonographs and should
be pleased to make bids on same.

We have as good a lot of Tools in our
shop as will be found anywhere in
the vicinity of New York and are prepared
to do as good a job of work as can be
done by any one. We should be pleased
to have you call on us & oblige

Yours Truly

E. P. Bullard

Harrison

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AGREEMENT.

GARDINER G. HUBBARD, G. L. BRADLEY.
CHARLES A. CHEEVER, HILBORNE L. ROOSEVELT
and U. H. PAINTER

WITH

EDISON SPEAKING PHONOGRAPH COMPANY

AND

THOMAS A. EDISON.

MAY 21, 1878.

Memorandum of Agreement between GARDINER G. HUBBARD, of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts; G. L. BRADLEY, of Providence, in the State of Rhode Island; CHARLES A. CHEEVER, of the City, County and State of New York; HILBORNE L. ROOSEVELT, of the City, County and State of New York; U. H. PAINTER, of Washington, in the District of Columbia, parties of the first part, and the EDISON SPEAKING PHONOGRAPH COMPANY, party of the second part,

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and THOMAS A. EDISON, of Menlo Park, in the State of New Jersey, party of the third part.

Signed this 21st day of May, 1878.

WHEREAS, The parties of the first part did heretofore, to wit, on the 30th day of January, 1878, enter into a certain agreement with the party of the third part, in which agreement the party of the third part granted unto the parties of the first part a certain license under certain letters patent granted to said Thomas A. Edison, the party of the third part, for an improvement in Phonograph or speaking machines, said letters patent being dated the 19th day of February, 1878, and numbered 200,521; and

WHEREAS, The said party of the second part is desirous of acquiring all the right, title and interest of the said parties of the first part in and to said agreement and by reason thereof; and

WHEREAS, The said party of the third part is willing that the said party of the second part should acquire such right, title and interest.

Now, therefore, these presents witness, that the said parties of the first and of the second part and of the third part have agreed together as follows: Each in consideration of the promises and agreements of the others, and for other good and valuable considerations, and each in consideration of ten dollars to it in hand paid by each of the other parties hereto, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged.

FIRST: The parties of the first part do hereby promise to sell, assign, transfer and set over, and do hereby sell, assign, transfer and set over unto the party of the second part, all their collective and individual right, title and interest in and to said agreement of January 30th, 1878, between the said Thomas A. Edison and themselves, and in and to any license or grant relating to any invention made by the said Edison and therein referred to, and particularly

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all their right, title and interest in and to any license to use the said letters patent numbered 200,521, dated the 19th day of February, 1878, granted to the said Thomas A. Edison for an improvement in Phonograph or speaking machines.

SECOND: And the parties of the first part do further covenant and agree with the party of the second part, and warrant unto it that they have not collectively or individually parted with any interest that they have ever had under or by reason of said agreement.

THIRD: The party of the second part does hereby promise and agree with each of the other parties hereto, that it will assume and does hereby assume each and all of the agreements and obligations of the said parties of the first part to the said party of the third part as set forth in the agreement of the Thirtieth day of January, 1878.

FOURTH: The said party of the third part does hereby consent that the said parties of the first part may make this transfer and assignment of said contract to the party of the second part hereinabove set forth, and does further promise to release and does hereby release the parties of the first part and each of them from any and all obligations whatever to him by reason of the contract hereinabove referred to between them and him, dated the Thirtieth day of January, 1878.

FIFTH: The party of the third part does hereby promise unto the party of the second part that he will faithfully keep with it each and all of the agreements and covenants which he made with the parties of the first part in said agreement of the Thirtieth day of January, 1878.

SIXTH: The party of the third part further promises and agrees with the party of the second part hereto, that in case he, the said party of the third part, shall not at his own expense protect as far as lays within his power the said invention from piracy or infringement as he agreed to do in said agreement of the Thirtieth day of January, 1878, that then

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after written notice to him of said failure by the party of the second part, and his failure so to protect as far as lays within his power said invention from piracy or infringement for six months thereafter, that then the party of the second part at the reasonable charge and expense of the party of the third part, use all reasonable means to protect as far as lays within its power, the said invention from piracy or infringement, and in making payments of royalty to the party of the third part herein under said contract, may make deductions from the same of whatever sum it has expended for the purpose of securing such protection of the said invention from piracy or infringement.

SIXTH : In consideration of the covenants, promises and releases herein of the party of the third part the parties of the first part do hereby release the party herein of the third part from any and all future obligations to them personally, or to either of them under said contract of the Thirtieth day of January, 1878, it being the intention of all the parties hereto that all of the rights of the parties of the first part in said contract shall by this contract become the property of the party of the second part.

In witness, the parties hereto have executed this agreement, and have hereunto affixed their hands and seals this 21st day of May, 1878.

Witness

Parties to the first part: GARDNER G. HUBBARD. [SEAL.]

M. H. BARNARD to G. G. H.

Witness to U. H. Painter, [SEAL.]

W. S. CHASE.

Witness to C. A. Choever,

W. L. CANDEE.

Witness to H. L. Roosevelt,

JAMES REDPATH.

Witness to G. L. Bradley,

THOMAS B. BAILEY.

U. H. PAINTER. [SEAL.]

CHAR. A. CHEEVER. [SEAL.]

HILBORNE L. ROOSEVELT. [SEAL.]

G. L. BRADLEY. [SEAL.]

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Witness

Party of the second part:

Witness to W. K. Apple-

baugh, Pres.,

TIMOTHY CORNWELL.

THE EDISON SPEAKING PHONO-

GRAPH COMPANY,

By W. K. APPLEBAUGH,

President. [SEAL.]

Witness

Party of the third part:

CHAR. BATCHELOR.

THOMAS A. EDISON.

[SEAL.]

Received for record May 22, 1878, and recorded in Liber Z 22, page 347, of Transfers of Patents.

In testimony whereof, I have caused the seal of

[SEAL.]

the Patent Office to be hereunto affixed.

W. H. DOOLITTLE,

Acting Commissioner.

Exd. F. C. T.

[35160]

Phil. a May 21 1878

Dear Edison

Mr. Lillibridge was here
last night examined our work
upon ~~phonographs~~ ^{phonographs} you are making for
the Phonograph Co. of New York. Says
the Company proposes having one
hundred manufactured and he will
do all he can to get us the
contract as our work so far
is decidedly the best only - I will
be in New York Thursday morning
with one of our machines, now
if you can be over there and
give me a lift in way
of obtaining us this order you
will be doing us a big favor
or if you cannot write us a
letter to Johnson that will

attain the desired object (providing
our work proves satisfactory to your
and other inspection) it will be
all the same, - You know best
who controls this work and therefore
can tell best who to write to
or see - How about the Telephones
we would like to pitch into
about a hundred pair now
or would like when you get
the Standard Phonographs done
to try a lot of them for
you, - Allow me to congratulate
you upon the sale of Telephone
"red done" - Hoping to see or
hear from you before long -

I remain yours truly

Joe Partick

Joe P.T.C.

from New York

Atlantic Post & Telegraph 22d 1879
N.Y.C.

To T A Edison

Will you be in here to morrow
forenoon I go to Boston in the evening and want to see
you - answer

Chas A Cheever

Read by G. B. Cannon
May 22 - 2 P M

New York 24

Thomas A. Edison.

No reply
preparatory to the
sale of model, &c. of
which go by next
steamer.

Chas. A. Cheever.

Also
208 Broadway
all right

T. A. Edison
T. A.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
205 BROADWAY,

New York, May 19th 1878

Dear Mr Edison

Please call immediately on
receipt of this + oblige

Yours Truly
C. A. Cheever
per aff

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The sender has UNREPEATEDLY acknowledged to be delivered by express of this receipt under the conditions mentioned.

A. R. BREVES, Secy.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated New York May 20th 1878

Received at New York

To Thomas A. Cheever

Come in this afternoon
if possible important
answer

C. A. Cheever

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,

203 BROADWAY.

New York, May 29th 1878

Dear Edison

It is of the utmost importance
that I should see you as soon as possible
Was very much disappointed that I did
not see you today. Please come in here
on the morning train Friday.

Tomorrow & Thursday being a legal
holiday the office will not be opened.

There are things which must be
decided Friday forenoon in regard to
infringers

Yours Truly
Chas. A. Cheever
per able
Wans

Charles A. Cheever Esq.

FROM THE LABORATORY OF
T. A. EDISON.
MENLO PARK, N. J.
U. S. A.

Charles A. Cheever

May 31 1898.

Dear Sir,

I hereby authorize you to

take the necessary legal steps at once to restrain infringers upon

my patent for Phonographs and I will pay all reasonable expenses

attending the same,

Yours truly
Thomas A. Edison

meals Park 26 J May 81.75
Chas A Cheever 203 Broadway N.Y.
Edison unwell send out ~~them~~
papers ~~and~~ he will sign them

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New York. 
Thos A Edison N.Y.

Send me by first train tomorrow
Some Extra Vibrating points I
want to take them on the
steamer which sails early
Cheever

(May?)

from New York
To 100 Edinboro.

Telegraphic permission to ship
phonograph to Morrow to catch Steamer
for Japan otherwise see me before one
o'clock Friday, important but good to mention
to day

Edw. A. Hoover.

June 3, 1898

Chas. A. Keever
200 Broadway N.Y.

Mr. Batchelor starts
on three o'clock train
with phonograph for
Exhibition tonight

A. L. Griffin

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OFFICE OF
A. ALEX. POOL & CO.,
MANUFACTURERS OF
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TERMS:—A deposit required on order for Patented Articles.
Special Tools or Machinery must be paid for as the work progresses every week.
Reference given if required.

Dear Sirs

Newark, N. J., June 5th 1878

We will contract to - build one
hundred (100) Photographs the same as sample with
hardened steel bushings &c at Only five (\$5.00)
dollars a piece, to be made in just as good a manner
and workmanship and of as good material as sample.
To be substituted for steel on the handouts, as
suggested by Mr. Edison. Waiting to hear your
reply we are

Yours Respectfully
A. Alex. Pool & Co.

To Mr. A. Edison Mr. Batchelor & Others
Menlo Park N. J.

P. O. Box 5620.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, 6-6-1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq
Mento Park N.Y.

Dear Sir—

There is a letter that will per-
haps get you apt boys who want to work
your time—"Demolition of the Day" as the
Enquirer calls them. He wrote it at my
request. Of course, he has no intention
of doing to interfere with your amusement
of friends; but there is justice in his complaint
as far as the immediate neighborhood of Mento
Park goes; and it is an excellent excuse
for you.

I enclose a letter to Genl
Morgan which you can hand off
if it will help to save you from
bores.

Yours be

P.S. The Mento Park-L McAllen
have been arranged

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,

209 BROADWAY,

New York, June 7th 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park, N.J.

Dear Sir, At a meeting of the Board
of Trustees of The Edison Speaking
Phonograph Company held at the Office
of the Company on 6th instant, you was
unanimously elected Vice President of
the Company -

Yours respectfully
Timothy Cornwell
Secy. pro tem

Monitum N. J. June 8th 1838

Chas. A. Cheever Esq

Dear Sir.

I am in receipt of your favor of
June 4th. I cannot give you the name
of the person who exhibited the Monograph
at Trenton as Miss Locke & Kriest were
not certain about it but as you have written
to those gentlemen no doubt they will
make enquiries & obtain it. If not, if
you will inform me, I will take immediate
steps to ascertain it although I do so I
must leave my route & visit Trenton.
I notice your paragraph in regard to Mr
Edwards showing the Monograph in his labo-
ratory but I must distinctly re-affirm - what
I am prepared to prove - that certain persons
- not newspapermen - have visited the laboratory.

and even heard the Phonograph, where
quarters I should otherwise have undoubtedly
have gathered in - they are also resistant,
if they ever could did not go a long distance
to see Mr Edison which might otherwise
have been their course -

I beg to draw your attention to newspaper
article enclosed - The Editorial excursion
comprises always more than half who
are not newspaper men - Any exhibit by
Mr Edison would draw - & does now take
for ~~some~~ certain persons for they refuse to
come to my exhibition as they will see the
Phonograph for nothing when they go
on the excursion -

Is not your wish fair?

Very resp^{ly} Thos. Lums

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A. ALLEN, POOL & CO., 2
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TERMS:—A deposit required on all our Patented Articles.

Special Tools or Machinery must be paid for as the work progresses every week.
Reference given if required.

Newark, N. J., June 10th 1878

Dear Sir

Yours favor of this date at hand.
We will engage to make (10) ten photographs for forty
dollars (\$40.) each, as per sample seen at Mount Park
when there last, with the exception mentioned, of common
steel and brass adjusting nuts, in place of Hobsons
steel for shaft and plate adjusting nuts. We expect
of course that you will furnish the patterns and
a sample machine to work from

Yours Respectfully,
A. Allen, Pool & Co.

J. H. A. Edison
Mount Park
N. J.

OFFICE OF
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 Reference given if required.

Dear Sir Newark, N. J. June 12th 1877

We are this day in receipt of the
 patterns for the Phonograph except the patterns for
 the brass cylinders. I suppose that you have a
 pattern for that, have you not? About how
 soon shall we have the sample Phonograph to work
 from? If you can spare the drawings we would like
 to have them sent to us ^{also} as soon as convenient, unless
 there have been such changes ^{in the machine} made since they were
 made as to render them useless to us.

Yours Respectfully,
 A. Alk. Pool & Co.

J. M. A. Edison
 Menlo Park
 N. J.

Ans'd June 14th 78
See letter book

Jessy June 14th 78
J. Prof Y A Edison
Dear Sir

Having given the matter of
estimating on the cost of
building one hundred of the
Phonographs (the greatest
wonder of the world) And
through the courtesy and
enlightening manner of
Mr Bachelder your Chief
engineer put the instrument
before us. We have been able
to give you our figures on
such short notice. We will
furnish the instruments for
Seventy eight dollars

and eighteen cents - \$78.18⁰⁰
each. And warrant the work
to be as good as the model
shown us in every particular.
We are ready to enter in to
an agreement at once,
and will push the work
immediately.

Respectfully Yours
J. H. Errol & Co

J. MESSENGER
P. O. Box 5220.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

New York, June 20, 1878
Mr. Griffin Esq.
Mento Park, N. J.

Dear Mr. Griffin -

Mr. Lundy exhibited in N. Brunswick
~~May~~ May 24 & 25. He reports his
gross receipts as -

May 24 -	\$4.50	ci.	18 persons
25 -	14.75	ci.	55 "

Can you manage to find out from
any one in N. B. what the tickets
painted on the evening he left - how
park heard at N. B. That there were
400 persons saw the Exhibition.

X If we find that he checked
us we must break his case. Can't
you send some one down? We will
pay his expenses.

Yours very
James Respublic

Hope Machine Works
East Newark N.J.
June 27th/99

Mr Thomas Edison
Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir

Having been informed
that you are getting some
Photographs built in Newark
and if you are in need of
more Machine. we would Respectfully
ask that we be permitted
to compete for said Machine
We have already built 26 Mochs
for the Edison Photograph Co
of 203 Broadway. N.Y. to
whom we would Respectfully
refer as to the quality of our
Work Yours Respectfully
Wm Geo Greenfield

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, June 28th 1878

James Redpath Esq

Dear Sir.

In experimenting with my Phonograph I find that a diaphragm of parchment, drum head - is greatly superior to the one of tin type - It has, however, two objections - First that it shrinks into an uneven surface & second that the breath moistens it and it then loses its power of speech.

I propose to overcome the first objection by making a new mouth piece holder sufficiently deep to hold two steel rings - These rings would be the one smaller than the other - Over the smallest stretch the parchment when wet & then drive on over it the larger ring which

would bind the parchment securely and it
would dry evenly.

To overcome the second objection - viz dampness,
cover the parchment with collodion -

Yours very truly

T. L. Lunell

Nov. 11. J. Lessee.

Refd
to

T. L. Edison. Esq.
~~X~~

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,

208 BROADWAY,

New York, July 1 1878

Thomas A Edison Esqr
Avenue Park N.Y.

Dear Mr Edison:-

I - Who is your lawyer here? We want a power to attorney to use to prevent infringe-
ment in Canada or elsewhere outside of the
U.S. There shd be signed in blank

II - Send in whatever Docs. or references
are needed for proving your patent in
New Brunswick, Nova Scotia or
Prince Edward Island or New
foundland.

This is pressing.

III We want a blank power of attorney
to enable us to take American infringers
by the nose of the neck & the seat of
the breeches without any delay
Yours V L Taylor & Pratt

Newark July 5th 18
Greenfield
Mass

Hope Machine Works
East Newark N.J.

File
July 5th 1878

Mr Thomas Edison

In Reply to your favor
of the 30th ult. inquiring if
we have got facilities for grinding
the Shafts & Bushings of the
Photograph. We have not got
the Grinding Apparatus for
grinding them but if the
work will warrant the outlay
which will be small at the
most. That need not interfere
with the giving us the work
which we should be pleased to
do for you, hoping that this
will be favorably considered by
You Respectfully Yours
Wm G. Greenfield

London July 6th 1878
Prof Thos A Edison

Dear Sir" According to the terms of an Agreement made between you and one Oliver D. Russell, in January 1878, for the use of your Phonograph for toys re. and of which I became an interested party some months since, it was agreed, that a report of sales, should be made to you at the expiration of six months from the date of the above mentioned agreement.

Numerous experiments have been made to perfect the Phonograph for toys re, but (as you are aware) without complete success as yet, therefore there has not been any sales, and I regret that I cannot remit you any royalties, but hope that I may be able to do so at an early day.

Very Respectfully
Yours &c
C. D. Harris

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55 & 57 N. J. R. AVENUE,

TERMS:—A 6 paid required on order for Patented Articles.
Special Tools or Machinery must be paid for as the work progresses every week.
Reference given if required.

Dear Sirs Newark, N. J., July 13th 1878

Can you favor us with your
check for two hundred dollars on account
of Phonographs underway? we are very short
indeed at present and have to meet some
obligations maturing. The Phonographs
are very far advanced and we hope to finish
them next week. Mr. Puze has seen them and
can affirm what we say.

Yours Respectfully
A. Alex. Pool & Co.
Thos A. Edison & Chas Batchelder

Office of
Wilbur L. Roosevelt.

40 West 15th Street.

S. I. Scythia *First* July 18th 1878.

Church Organs

Respected Thomas (professor of the Black Art) (Carbon)

I drop you a line to
let you see what a fine correspondant
I am at present.

We have had a fine voyage &
expect to reach Queenstown tomorrow
when this will be mailed to you -

The Phonograph I have with
me has created quite a sensation
and combined with your photograph
I am in demand thereby gratifying
the vanity of

Yours truly
Wilbur L. Roosevelt

To Thomas A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park N.J.

Please give my kind regards to Mrs Edison &
the little one. Y.

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Newark, N. J., July 18th 1878

Dear Sir

We have received again the sample
Phonograph by the bearer of this letter. Mr Kinzie
was here on Tuesday and told me that you would
advance the amount of money (\$200.) asked for
a few days ago. Can you not send it today before
3 o'clock; that is before 3 o'clock so that we can use it
here in the bank before 3 o'clock; we have a
note of \$300. to meet today and are very short
indeed at present, by so doing you will greatly
oblige.

Yours Respectfully
A. Alex. Pool & Co

To
Chas Patchell
Mead Park
N.J.

Dr. C. has left no instructions
except to

G. O.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD CO'S TELEGRAPH.

Received... *Red Red Red* Office... Operator... Clk... *July 23rd 1898*
 From *New York* For *Prof. Entchell*

*Will be at two Hundred & Three
 Broadway till two PM Wednesday
 Can you come over in
 W. H. Painter
 1668 MK*

Recd
9 am
July 25 1878
Menlo Park, N. J.

Westchester Pa 20. 70
Prof. B. Batchelor

"Mr."
Wire Edison I want him
to send you msg requesting
you to call and get balance
of the ten

W. H. Painter

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Jy 6

No 1
Menlo Park, N. J. July 25 1878

T. A. Edison Rawlins Wy
Painter says for you to
send message to me requesting
me to call and get balance
of ten - Chewer has failed
Want you tonight on direct
wire
Batchelor

27 1878

#5 Sent 7:30 PM
Menlo Park, N. J. July 25 1878

T. A. Edison Rawlins Wy

Painter and others attach great
importance to Scientific American
^{photograph} article and drawings ignoring fact of
its being patented. Suggest asking
Munn withdraw invitation to publish
to infringe ~~your patent~~ and say infringers
be prosecuted. Unless this is done
your royalty swallowed in litigation.
Griffen

42⁵⁰

"Scientific American" ~~off~~ has notice that
 their number one thirty three has
 full instructions & working
 drawings "How to make a Phonograph".
 They also publish article from "M"
 with further ~~extra~~ drawings & instructions
~~and~~ to ignore fact that disputes
~~and~~ will you send them request to

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With in their imitations to pick
 to violate your patent & state
 that ~~if~~ any violations will be
 prosecuted. ~~They~~ are unhelp
 something is done soon I will
 take all your royalty to stop
 violators - answer

and Aug 1894

A. T. Edison, Esq
Menlo Park N.J.

Respect Sir:

We hardly ask you, to send
the Phonographs at the earliest
possible date.

Fifty cases packed already
and ready for shipment to San
Francisco, are waiting only till
your Phonographs will be deli-
vered to us.

Let us hope, that you will
arrange the matter also in favor
for our sending.

very respectfully

W. C. C. Edison, Esq. -
New York City 27th Feb. -

New York Aug 6th 1878
T A Edison Esq
Windsor Park N Y

Dear Sir, In order to
comply with the contract made
by you with Oliver S. Russell
and myself, for the use of your
phonograph on tape, I regret
to report that, as yet, none have
been sold.

Truly Yours
B Harris

Mr C Batchelder Newark Aug 8th 1878

Dear Sir

We have one of the

P. Machine completed & ready for your inspection - we have proved it & find it works well - please call & examine it - more will be done very soon & the whole as soon as possible

Yours A. A. Wood

Pres. Crisp-
Aug 14 #75

Professor Edison
Should you feel disposed to
consider the last
offer we made, you can
be pleased to hear from your
The Machinery and Tools we
have in our shop are
as good as you will find in
any shop in the country and
we are now well fully equipped
and will be ready to
PS We figure 1855.33.00
Respectfully Yours
V H Ernst.

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Accurate Cutting no limit as to number of Teeth.
BANK NOTE & R. R. TICKET MACHINERY
Equipping on Fine Machinery and Tools,
Accumulating Working Drawings for Special Machinery.
118 Steuben St., cor. Warren, Jersey City, N. J.

Received Aug 1 1878
Mr Chat. Batchelor
From H.
The Phonog. is all
done & awaiting your action
Yours,
A. A. Pool

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 5530

New York, August 21st 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park
N. J.

Dear Sir:

Your bill of May 17 for work done
at your Laboratory on two photographs from
Bergmans factory, was referred to Mr. Johnson
as being incurred before I assumed the manage-
ment of the Co. He states that it is a charge
which should not be made against us and has
just returned the bill to Mr. Batchelor with his
endorsement to that effect.

Very truly yours

Chas. Bailey
Treas.

T. A. EDISON.

8 am

N.Y. 29

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 29 1878

Edison

Menlo Park

Want see you today before
four cant you come in?

W. H. Painter

copied 25-

Cs 4

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 29 1878

W. H. Painter Phonograph Co
203 Broadway N.Y.

Impossible for me to come
in today
Edison

W. H.

11 am
9 Co

P. O. Box 5225.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
205 BROADWAY,

New York, _____ 18

James Nicholath Esq
Gen Manager
Edison S. P. Co
New York

Aug 31/87

Dear Sir,

In making my route through

my district (Northern New Jersey) I have been
much annoyed, as well as somewhat financially
injured, by finding that other Phonographs
than mine are & have been on exhibition.

At Trenton a gentleman, whose name I
cannot accurately learn but believe it to have
been ~~John A. Harris~~ Prof Harris of Philadelphia,
gave a private exhibition in the house of
a Mr John A. Hannum just before I reached

E do not know him

that city; As a consequence a large number were present who would doubtless have otherwise visited my exhibition and I consider myself injured by this infringement on my lease. I refer you to Mr. Wm. Clober, editor of The Trenton State Gazette, and Mr. Priest, Proprietor & editor of The Trenton State Emporium, both of whom were present at the private exhibition. They state that the Professor stated that he was a personal friend of Mr. Edison and made his own instrument with the sanction of Mr. Edison.

I have also reason to complain of the ease by which persons can see & hear the instrument at Marco Park. At New Brunswick I found several persons who preferred to see the instrument at Marco Park for nothing to paying for my entertainment and I have the proof of several persons who have been to Marco & seen the instrument since I took my leave. I consider this an infringement on my rights - Yours respy. J. L. Hawks

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 24

1878

(aug. 1878)
Proprio applications
admission:
one new for 25
wanted me for a
"receiving line"
to be -

W. H. P.

W. H. Painter Fifth Ave Hotel NY
I have an engagement at menlo
Park tomorrow

T. A. Edison

7 PM

24 78

6:10 PM.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 4 1878

N.Y. 4
T.A. Edison mks

I must go to Hill Thursday night
Will you come down Saturday
U. H. P

12.5H

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 4 1878

U. H. Painter MY

Impossible too busy
T. A. Edison

3.15H

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 5 1878

N.Y.

Mr. Edison

Mr. Edison

What time Thursday meet me
phone office

W. H. White
Fifth Ave. Hotel

replied
29

25
Pm

OPTION 13P

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P.S. Mr. Redpath wrote me that new
arrangements would be made Oct. 1,
hence this letter to you and asking me
not writing to 144 1/2 North 10th st.
do or say about the book-life &c. Phil. Dept. 7th '98.
Thos. A. Edison, Esq.
Menlo Park, N.J.

My Dear Sir:—As Business
Manager of Col. Wood (formerly of the
Cincinnati, Chicago & Phil.^a Museums) I
addressed a communication by advice
of my friend Henry Bentley Pres. Local
V. C. Co. this city, to Gen. Redpath, Gen.
Manager Edison Speaking Phonograph Co.,
with a view of obtaining for Col. Wood's
Western Museum & combination of Me-
chanical & Living Wonders, the latest
improved Phonograph & best Telo. Phone.
I also requested to know if Mr. Edison
would object to the publication of 100,000
pamphlets Autobiography of Yourself
with anecdotes & illustrations, entirely
devoted to advertising your wonderful
and almost animate machines. Our
remuneration would be obtained by
selling the books at a trifle while ex-
hibiting the machines at Bazaar Western
States & Canada, eventually visiting Europe
with the Wonders of American Ingenuity.
Your machines—judging by what I have
seen this summer in London, Liverpool,
& here in Phil.^a—have not had the

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advantage of the best methods of making
their records generally known. Not one
out of 10,000 of our population know
anything except by newspaper article
of the extraordinary Phonograph. It is
unfortunate that you lost control of these
things. The true plan of selling the phonograph
would have been, say 100. and a
monthly rental as royalty paid in
advance. ~~Monthly~~ ^{Monthly} Pardon these remarks
for suggestions. We want a Phonograph
at the earliest possible moment also
telephone for travelling exhibition ^{for}
free only. We want your photograph
for speculations to sell to visitors. We
have a wonderful Brass Band, life
size, worked partly by machinery and
partly by electricity. I have just shipped
it west to Col. Wood. I enclose
a cut. Grass is now working on a
musical hand instrument having
500 keys, imitating 400 instruments.
Please answer and tell us
the earliest possible moment we
can have Phonograph, & terms that
we may send check; also please
say, in case we can use the cuts
& publish your life (we have the North
American Review & can get posters &c)
whether you require a royalty on books
for permission, &c. Address, Yours &c,

E. Mason, Jr. Bus. Manager.
Col. Wood's Combinations.
No. 1143 North 10th St. Phila.

T. A. EDISON.

10:00 am

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 10 1878

NY 10

Edison

Will you be in today
Painter wants see you
Answer

E. H. Johnson

10:00 AM.

No 9

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 10 1878

E. H. Johnson

203 Bldway
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No Cant go to ny
today Edison

G. H. H.

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T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 10 1878

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Edison

If you will come in tomorrow
he will remain over answer
E. Johnson

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T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 10 1878

E. Johnson

203 Broadway, N.Y.

Entirely too busy, can't

possibly do it

Edison

443
91 Vm

Office of Richmond & Harris,
Railway Registering Pitches!
1103 Broadway,

New York, Sept 14th 1878

Prof. T. A. Edison
Dear Sir

In order to comply
with what is known as the "Gay
Contract," I have to report that there
have been no sales of goods in
which your phonograph invention
has been used.

Yours &c
C. B. Harris

(Sept. 19, 1878)

City of New York.
County of New York. }

I Oliver D. Russell being duly sworn do depose and say, that neither I nor any one else authorized by me, has made sold or delivered any Toy or Toys such as are described in the contracts entered into between Thomas A. Edison and myself on January 7th, 1878. And further that due diligence has been exerted to render the Photograph applicable to the articles enumerated herein, and when so perfected, which I am faithfully trying to do, true & correct returns shall be made under oath every month to the said Edison of all sales of such apparatus.

Oliver D. Russell

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 14th day of Sept. 1878.

Thos. Ryan

Notary Public

My City.

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

NEW YORK, N. Y.

P. O. Box 5529.

New York, Sept 18th 1898.

My Dear Mr Griffin:

The bearer Mr Pike is anxious
to get a phonograph for exhibition at Plainfield
N. J. for a charitable purpose.

Should Mr. Edison find it con-
venient to loan him a machine in this instance
it would not conflict with any of our existing
contracts and might be the means of largely
adding to the receipts on the occasion.

With sincere regard

Yours Truly

Chas. E. Bailey
Treas.

Mr. S. L. Griffin
Mauls Bank N. J.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 19 1878

Ny 19
Edison

Can I see you at
home this afternoon. Answer quick
Wt. Riv.,

10 paid
v. g.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 19 1878

Wt. Riv. N.Y.

Yes

Edison

2 Collect

134 Pm

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Charles Harris

Sept 27

1193 Broadway

N.Y.

Will see you at uptown
office one o'clock this afternoon

John C. Harris

10 paid

Am. Y. C.
J. C. Harris

T. A. EDISON

Marble Park, N. J.

1897

... on call
none seen but hunted with 200 (Photographic Type.)

New York.

To T. A. Edison
or Frank McCracken —

~~He~~
Sickness prevents my being
there today.

sig C. B. Harris —

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 5529.

New York

Sept 21 1878

My Dear Edison

I want to see you before you see
Hornet & think I can suggest
a plan whereby you can
do me a good turn - clear
up the European Middle end
put your financial interests
here in good shape & bring
you some return. The "good"
it does me is in the
direction of promoting your
Phonograph interests here too
so that I do not hesitate to
ask you to give me a hearing
It is almost impossible for me
to get out. Give me a word then
when can you be in & will
you postal card me?

Your Johnson

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 5529,

New York, 9-21-1878

Prof. T. A. Edison

Dear Sir

I find that C. B. Harris
is making small Phonographs &
has announced his intention of putting
them on the market. I have seen
his model in your workshop, &
it is a clear violation of our
license. & he was so informed when
he commenced it, I have evidence
that he has said he means to
put a thousand on the market
before we knew it - Under our
contract with you, the expense
of stopping infringers is to be deducted
from your royalties, unless we have
some satisfactory assurance that he will
not do anything with his model, we
will be compelled to take him into the
United States Court at once. An early answer
will oblige
W. H. Harrison Esq. & Co. Phila

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Sept. 26 1898

Wet. Letter P. 26
Prof. T. A. Edison m

Don't agree to anything about
phonograph until I see
you early next week. This
Confidential answer
W. H. Painter

16 Oct.
1898

PARIS.

LONDON.

BERLIN.

NEW YORK.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

New York and Paris Fashion Co.

(Incorporated in 1852 under the Laws of the State of New York.)

Importers, Designers and Manufacturers of "Recherche" Paper Patterns.

OFFICERS:

DAVID SICHES, President.
HENRY W. COFFIN, Vice-President.
JOHN G. WELLS, Secretary.
JAMES C. JEWETT, Treasurer.

AMERICAN OFFICE, 687
BROADWAY,

H. W. COFFIN, Manager.

DIRECTORS:

NICHOLAS BRANDT, London, Eng.
JAMES C. JEWETT, New York.
JOHN G. WELLS, "
CHARLES S. MAY, "
HENRY W. COFFIN, "

New York, Sept 27th 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Wentz York N.Y.
Dear Sir

With a view to
consolidating our arrangements with
Mess Russell & Harris by which we
may safely invest money to a
large extent in the perfecting and
manufacture of the Phonograph Toy
we beg to ask if you would
object to making a new contract
or revising the existing one between
yourself & the said Russell & Harris
without however changing the general
features of same

With Respects

Very Truly

T. J. & Paris & Co.
H. W. Coffin Manager

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J. Sept 28 1878

Chas. Carman
Room 40 Calvert Bldg NY

See Bailey of Phono Co
and get fifty dollars
Edison

9:54
470
JP

11:00 am
9:42

Open 505 Broadway, New York City. P. O. Box 5508.

Pittsburg 9-28

I will be ~~at~~
~~San Francisco~~
~~Thursday~~
A m - write or
wire me where
I can see you
Thursday Pm,
or evening

UHP

From ~~San Francisco~~ Pittsburg, Manager Edison Speaking Polygraph Exhibitions.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J. Oct 1 1878

UHP
202 Broadway, NY

Edison will be
here 9:00 pm

5 to 11:00

1:15 P
9:00

San Francisco

Thursday

I want to see you about the In-
tersect I have been working lately at -
at once and I have almost finished it
H. R.

Office of
Wilhelm L. Roosevelt,

40 West 15th Street,

New York, Oct 10 - 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq R

Dear Sir -

Your favor
of 9th is just rec'd. In the matter
of your receiving royalty on
Exhibitions I have not heard
officially from the President but
I will see Mr. Brewer at Rockaway
tomorrow I think he will support
me in my ideas on that subject -
which are that you should have
royalty - I am coming out on
Friday in the Elgin Clock train.
If you are going to be ~~here~~
New York telegraph me at once

Yours truly

Wilhelm L. Roosevelt

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 11 1878

Hiboume L. Roosevelt
203 Broadway NY

I am just starting
for New York Edison

GAT

9. Dr.

Office of
William L. Roosevelt

40 West 15th Street,

New York, Oct 11 1878

Church Organs

My dear Edison

I am sorry not to have been able to explain the state of the different cases - I have nearly fixed the Long business as you see but Russell will not deal with the Phonos but only with me. He is willing for me to arrange with the Phonos for myself and I propose for them to operate it having my half interest or the profits arising therefrom. In the matter of our own contract I have made the alterations we spoke of which I hope will meet your views. You see I put in the Exhibition royalty at the same time to close that up fairly to you - I think I can arrange with Russell on the basis I said - I am very anxious to restore peace in our camp and increase the value of our stock be -

Yours truly
William L. Roosevelt.

I enclose two letters for you to send me after copying in your letter book if they are all right - Please send advance for these two when I send delay with the two already 11-11-78

Mendo Park, Oct. 12, 1878.

William S. Roosevelt Esq.,

Dear Sir,

In the Matter of the Dry Contract I am wishing you
 do take one half interest with Mr O Russell in the following conditions.

You must take the business Management and Mr Russell must assist
 you as far as is possible - There must be no clashing between you and
 the Photographic Company. And to at once settle the matter of the ~~small~~ ^{large} photograph
 like Mr Harris has made you can pay Mr Russell ten cents on each picture
 which he must consider as his interest in them in future. ~~the one I bought~~
~~Mr Harris interest and good will~~ ^{of 1878} ~~of 1878~~ ^{of 1878} I hold
 under the Matter of the Management of the Nevada dollar of 4000 for the
 same for myself in consideration of my to during the coming year. I will
 the selling price of the 100, instead of the 100,000. The above to be put in legal
 shape. It must be mutually understood that Mr Russell must allow you
 to have equal partners to carry on the business as you desire, and he must assist
 you all the way - The Experiments in Tokyo must be made at your expense.

Yours truly

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., _____ 187

Copy of enclosed letter,

H. L. R.

In the matter of the Ray Central I am willing you should take one half interest with Mr. O. Russell on the following condition: You must furnish the necessary capital and take the business management, and Mr. Russell must assist you as far as possible. There must be no shaking between yourselves & the phonograph Co. I will waive the matter of the payment of \$6000, annually as a minimum sum for royalty for two years from the date hereof in consideration of your paying me twenty percent royalty on the selling price of the toys instead of ten per cent, but at the expiration of the 2 years the \$6000 shares shall again become operative but the royalty shall be reduced to 10 per cent. The above to be put in legal shape. Mr. Russell is to allow you to take in partners if you so require. The Expenditures on toys must be paid by yourself

Menlo Park N.J. Oct 14, 78

Hilbourne L. Roosevelt Esq.

Dear Sir

In the matter of my contract with the Phonograph Co. I am willing for certain reasons and considerations to make the following additional clauses - I will release the Phonograph Co or the parties with whom I made the contract, Messrs Hubbard, Cheever, Roosevelt, Paine, and Bradley from having to raise the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) Cash Capital within a year of date of contract on condition they retain One hundred thousand dollars of stock (par value) in the treasury to be sold as needed to raise capital for carrying on the business. The price at which it shall be sold to be determined by the stockholders hereafter. And for the further consideration that I shall be released from paying to said Phonograph Co or the gentleman above mentioned, the sum of eight thousand dollars in case the standard machine is still incomplete within the time specified and that I shall receive twenty per cent ~~royalty~~ on receipts of the Phonograph exhibitions account. The above to be drawn up in proper legal shape

Yours Respectfully

(Oct. 15, 1878)

City of New York }
County of New York. }

I Oliver D. Russell being duly sworn do depose and say, that neither I nor any one else authorized by me, have made sold or delivered any Toy or Toys, such as are described in the contract entered into between Thomas A. Edison and myself January 7th, 1878 - And further, that due diligence has been exerted to render the Phonograph applicable to the Articles enumerated therein, and that when so perfected, which I am faithfully trying to do, true & correct returns shall be made under oath every month to the said Edison, of all sales of such apparatus -

Sworn to before me } Oliver D. Russell
this 13th day of Oct. 1878 }
Notary Public
City of New York.

336, W. 17th St,
New York Oct 15th 98
Prof. J. A. Edison
Munro Park
N. J.
Ohio

Will you please deliver
at my Address C.O.D. One of
your Phonograph Complete
with full working particulars
full supply of tin foil,
and directions should it get
damaged on our J. Edison
I shall send it to the
Bohannas and to where there is
but monthly communication
where the duty is twenty five
per cent

The Steamer "Cleopatra"
is advertised to sail from
here for Marsan this day
but she will not sail
until Wednesday or possibly
Thursday, by this time.
I am to ship.

I am to buy for another
party so please allow me
any discount possible

Very Respectfully
Ab. J. Howell

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 16 1878

A. C. Bloos

112 Liberty St N.Y.

Photograph⁵⁰⁰ packed by ~~express~~ ~~at~~ ~~five~~
lbs foil posters etc ~~will be~~ one
hundred and ten dollars answer quick
if wanted
~~for~~ ~~sent~~.

T. A. Edison

1/20 D.H.

12 1/2 St

T. A. EDISON.

Mo

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Oct 17 1878

NY 17 T A Edison

Box and ship photograph
by morning express foil &
posters will put in separate
box see letter
a. c. Bloos

1/10 paid
3a

Blank No. 1

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY

The CARRIER TRANSMITS AND DELIVERS MESSAGE only on conditions, limiting its liability, which here-
tofore have been printed on the reverse side of the envelope.
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tofore have been printed on the reverse side of the envelope.

Dated New York 10/19 1878

Received at 1878
to Thomas A Edison

Received of
To Thomas A Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Ans. Coming with Russell
there on one you
have answered

Hilbourn L. Roosevelt

11 Collect

27d

T. A. EDISON

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 17, 1878

¹⁰ Hillbourne Roosevelt
208 Broadway NY

Don't come. Edwin in
New York

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1.45
mⁿ 7.77

11-30

386. 7th St.
New York Oct 17-78
Mrs. E. Bailey

203 B-ming

Dear

In reply to yours of
this date. Would say the
price as per ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~order~~ ^{order}
note is \$110.00 to the
effect I wrote to the West
Indies last Feb. and am
that basis I am ordering
to purchase one at \$110.00

I agree and one at
once of the best make for
at \$110 and Express costs,

P.S. Please return me
proofs. Please return me

Yours truly
Alex. J. Bonnell



A. C. BLOSS, AGENT.

OFFICE OF
Phoenix Packing and Rubber Co.,
MANUFACTURERS OF THE
PHOENIX GUM CORE, HEMP CORE, RAIL ROAD & GLOBE VALVE PACKINGS.
RUBBER HOSE, BELTING, IMPROVED STEAM PACKING, GASKETS, VALVES, Etc.,
112 LIBERTY STREET.

New York, Oct 17 1878.

J. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir

Having called
at the office 203 Broadway finding out that the
foil & papers would not leave N.Y. until tomorrow
morning. I thought it better to make a separate
box ~~there~~ than run the risk & have them be
received too late to ship with the Phonograph.
I accordingly telegraphed
you last evening & hope you will get the Phonograph
off by morning's express.

Yours Truly
A. C. Bloss.

P.S. Please mail me bill.

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 5529,

New York, _____ 18

My B. E. *My* Oct 19

I saw Louney and made an
appointment with him for
middle of next week. Meaning
you will no doubt see him
and by letting slip a remark
indicative of your preference
I have the Phon. Control in
other hands than the Bell Co. You
will facilitate my programming.
He asked me for my opinion
of your progress in Electric
Tape I gave it him in my
usual "Fattelite" style

Yours Johnson

T. A. EDISON.

9³⁰am

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 24 1878

My 24
T. A. Edison

Can Russell + I see you
some where soon it is important
Answer forty west Eighteenth
H. L. Roosevelt

W paid
pt 9.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 25 1878

My To
T. A. Edison

Will your majesty make
an appointment for Russell
and myself
sig

Hellbourne L Roosevelt

11 o'clock
305 am
in F. G. 90

Ans by Batch from depot
Krumm do you know address

Boulder Colorado

Oct 25th 1898

Prof. J. A. Edison

Sir

I bought
of "Edison Phon. Co." N. Y.
a 1200" Phonograph and am
exhibiting same. I write to
say that I would like to
have the control of this state
for any of your inventions that
you controll especially the
Phonograph. Co. at least
the Agency. Please inform
me what advancement you
have made in adapting the
machine to public use as indicated
in my article in N. A. Review

Ed. Wilson

Boulder

Colorado

E. H. JOHNSON.
P. O. Box 5229.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, Oct 31 1878

My Dr Batchelor

This will introduce Mr
J B Whinston one of
our Phonograph Lecturers
who wants to get a
glimpse of Edison &
his laboratory in order
to be able to 'Talk' a
little on it. He won't
bother you much

Yours Eff J

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

3592
P. O. Box ~~5555~~

New York, Nov. 14th 1878.

My Dear Edison:

Your favor of Saturday
convinced me that the enclosed letter has
arrived most opportunely. You are evidently
well enough once more to "blow up" anybody
or anything and have seems to be your chance.

Why you go at that man
Johnson like one of those "Jack Rabbits" of the
western prairies. Still he had no business to
bother you personally, after what I told him;
I did my best to keep him away entirely, but
it was "no go".

I shall expect if I ever send
another man to Newark to have one of your
"Lophoceros" by return mail. I send this
by another Johnson. May he also meet
at main reception!

Yours ever
C. E. D.

(Nov. 5, 1878)

Mills Park N. J. 1878

The partnership between O. D. Russell and Elias B. Davis
in the matter of the Tyl Phonograph Contract having
been by mutual consent dissolved on Oct 16th 1878
I Thomas A. Edison hereby agree that O. D. Russell
(being now the true and law full owner of said contract)
shall transfer in consideration of the sum of One dollar
paid and other valuable considerations - one undivided
and unencumbered half interest in said Tyl Phonograph
contract to Osborne S. Roosevelt of the City and State
of New York - Said Roosevelt may account with
him as partner the Edison Speaking Phonograph Co.
I will waive the matter of the payment of Six
thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) annually as a minimum
sum for royalty - in consideration of a royalty
of (20%) twenty per cent, being paid me on the selling
price of the keys instead of ten (10%) per cent.

In the matter of the
Day Phonograph

Dep signed & sent to
H. H. Brownell
Nov 5-74

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Nov 11 1878

N.Y. 11th Nov 1878

I will pay 25 cts royalty
for contract to make small
phone and pay on five
thousand in advance
J. W. Coffin

replied
May

sent copy of
phone Co
to Nov 11/78

T. A. EDISON,

(Nov 11 78)

Photographic
Tape

Menlo Park, N. J.,

21st 187

1 New York 30
John Oth care Edison
Laboratory
Menlo Park
and you meet me at Boston
tomorrow or to be called
on Sunday

C. R. Harris

10 paid
6 3

30 Oct 1878

John Oth

Ask you to come
over at Boston

7 collect John Oth

T. A. EDISON.

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Monlo Park, N. J., Nov 12 1878

Mr Harris

So Convent
NY

I shall not be able
to see you today make
it Saturday if convenient
at five o'clock New York

John, C. H.

So Collect

11 am
9 ma

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 3592
CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.

New York, Nov 13th 1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.

There will be a special meeting
of the stockholders of the Edison
Speaking Phonograph Company at
the office of the Co. No 203 Broadway
N.Y. at 10 am on Saturday Nov 23rd
The meeting called for the 15th 1878
Inst. is hereby postponed to the
above date

By Order of the Presd.
C. H. Hudson
Secretary

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 3592
CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.

New York, Nov 13th 1878

My Dr Edison

Learning that you are coming
in town tomorrow. I drop this
to ask you to stop in at 203.
& if I am not in tell Bailey
where ~~he~~ ^{you} can find you
~~I want~~ I may want you
to draw some money &
loan it to me till after
Election. If you get the
thing in my hands you
will have a good bank to
get your paper discounted
in emergencies

Yours Truly
E. N. Whiston

New York Nov 14/78

My Dear Edison

- Item 1. I have seen W.H. and have got him to consent to aid in the matter you spoke to me about when last at meals. all you want is to see him personally and make your bargain. He goes to Washon. in a few days and can make his usefulness to you immediately apparent.
- Item 2. Having called a meeting of the ~~Stockholders~~ on only the notice required by Articles Meeting, I had to revoke the call & make a new one with longer notice thus deferring the meeting until Nov 23. This gives me a few days longer to make the final payments on my stock.
- Item 3. Everything having settled out in Electric Light matters I have determined to absolutely control the Phonograph. - tie myself up to it for a future. - If I sell the block of stock & sell stock or other comparative strangers I may simply be jumping out of the frying pan into the fire. I therefore resolved

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to take in Riff and amitedly with
his Painter's and your assistance
purchase the thing ourselves - thus
effecting my end beyond peradventure.

Item 4. \$2000. Cash are required. My resources
are as follows.

Riff has paid \$500.
Leaving to raise yet = \$1500.

Riff will raise \$500. possibly, \$1000.
Painter " " 500.
Edison is asked for 500. to me = \$1500

Item 5. I find the Phonograph Co. owe you
Royalties on Exhibitions about
\$1300.

Item 6. I want you, to make a demand
upon us for a ~~partial~~ payment
on this ac. upon whatever interest
you please. (It is generally supposed
that your Electric Light funds are only
available for purposes strictly Elec.
light - this is your best cue)

Item 7. I want to borrow this money

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until I get control.

Item 8. Riff, Painter & myself will cordially agree to be responsible for its early repayment.
We will also agree to immediately allow the Royalty on Exhibition of and pay you the balance.
Also, pay you the \$400 due by C.A.C.

Item 9. Possibly - Owing to the sympathy of the present Treasurer with the present Control - we may not be able to effect a payment to you on 7c - in that case are you in position to obtain elsewhere the \$200. for the brief interval between now and the meeting of the 23rd. If not and I am blocked everywhere else Will you ask some of your friends at P.L. & Stones to make the \$200 down -

I map out these points to prevent the possibility of failure - I may not have to resort to a single one of them.

This is your opportunity to 'Place'

me permanently in a position
where I will be abundantly able
to take care of myself henceforth
at absolutely no risk to yourself

Make me solid - in this and
the Photograph Co will prove
a handy bank wherein you may
at all times get accommodation
for emergencies

Very truly yours
E. Johnson

(Nov. 15, 1878)

City of New York }
County of New York. }

I, Oliver D. Russell, being duly sworn do depose and say, that neither myself or any one else authorized by me, has made, sold or delivered, any Toy or Toys such as are described in the contract entered into between Thomas A. Edison and myself, Jan'y 7, 1878. And further, that due diligence has been exerted, and is now being exerted, to render the Phonograph applicable to the Articles enumerated therein, and that when so perfected, true and correct returns shall be made under oath every month to the said Edison, of all sales of such apparatus -

Oliver D. Russell.

Sworn to before me

This 15th day of Nov. 1878

Thos Ryan
Notary Public
Co., of N.Y.

(Nov 1871)

Sad
Nov 23rd 1871
3 PM

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In complete possession
of E S P Co -

Pat - E H J - W E
Chandler & J C R
in business - There
with you & I make

5 out of 9 -
made new E S P Co
U A P - E H J J C R
Hutcheson !!!

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Expained fully
the Pat's situation
to E H J - So too
long to write, He
will see you on
Monday -

Your interests
are well seen
to !!

U A P

P. O. Box 5523.

(Form 106.)

The Telephone Company of New York,
32 TRIBUNE BUILDING.

HILBORNE L. ROOSEVELT,
CHARLES A. CHEEVER,

Managers, New York,

Nov 26 1878

Dear Edison

Three or four things
have turned up that will
make it impossible for me
to go to Menlo Park this
afternoon am very sorry
I want to see you
much - Will you come
in tomorrow to my office
Bring your agreement
with Purkas - copy of
your W. U. agreement
and specifications
for making Small Phones
In haste
Chas A Cheever

[DECEMBER 9, 1878]

Alli Ghost of Phonos - if
Not ~~any~~ the Large Boxes one
Please ~~send~~ Am making
you a ~~hand~~ one for Xmas
6 Sold ~~in~~ the month -
Trade good yet, sorry didn't
see you Saturday - Will be
out some day this week with
your traps to the fine Phonos.
Johnson

OFFICE OF

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,

66 READE STREET,

New York, Dec 12th 1878

P. O. Box 150.

Thomas A Edison Esq

Dear Sir:

A Special Meeting of the Stock-holders of The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company will be held at the office of the Company, No 66 Reade St New York at 10 am on Monday Decr 23-1878 for the purpose of ratifying the action of the last meeting.

A meeting of the Board of Directors will be held at 12 m of the same day and at the same place

By Order of the President

Ed Johnson
Secretary

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
66 READE STREET,

New York,

P. O. Box 150.

Mr Edison

Mr Brooks have
asked me about this of
What of it? Is there any
portion we should pay.

Come in on Saturday - & I will
see us this time in time
to do some business. A friend
of yours will be in town
who has done you a good
turn already & will do you
more if you treat him half
way respectfully.

Respectfully yours

Ed. Johnson

Your ofc Can
be closed up
at once if
you wish Come
in & give it
a little attention
on Saturday
E.H.

E.H. Johnson
Nov 12

Copy to
Wm. G. W.
Church Organs

What about
it W

Office of
Wilhelm L. Roosevelt,

40 West 15th Street,

New York, Dec 13 1878

My Dear Edison,

In looking over the
agreement for transfer of one half
interest in my contract I find
the last sentence reads - "In consideration
of a royalty of 20% being paid me
on the selling price of the toys
instead of 10% per cent." Of course it
is understood to be on the "apparatus" we
make, and I would like you to kindly
authorize me to substitute the word
"apparatus" for "toys" as it so reads
in the original contract but it was my
fault that the mistake was made -

Yours truly

Wilhelm L. Roosevelt

Please remember me to the small daughter -

(Witness 1st. 2/8)

City of New York
County of New York.

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And further, that due diligence has been exerted, and is still being exerted, to render the Phonograph applicable to the Articles enumerated therein, and that when so perfected, true and correct returns shall be made under oath every month to the said Edison of all sales of such apparatus -

Oliver D. Russell.

Sworn to before me
this 14th day of December 1878.
Thos. Ryan
Notary Public Co. of New York.

Respectfully submitted.

Oliver D. Russell.
At 114 E. 19th St.

My dear



I find that under pretence
of acting for the Phonos' Mr. Russell
has obtained from you a release
from the obligation to pay you a definite
sum per annum on the "Joy Contract".
I immediately made it over to Russell
& now both Resnells & Russell are
at work trying to sell their concession
to the Phonos'. I regard Mr. Russell's
contract as dishonest & shall not
allow the L's to purchase what he
now proposes to sell i.e. a one half
interest for \$2,000. & the L's to obligate
themselves to spend whatever money
~~Russell~~ ^{Russell} wants it to do, & to have no
authority to do ~~us~~ anything whatever
with it on about it that does not first
receive the approval of Russell - a
dead beat, who has never put in

2

one cent, & who has put a mortgage
upon it of $7\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. to James
signed which I am told is Harris

You have been overreached by
these men, who mean to swindle
you just as one of them tried to do
on Phonograph by having the Co
sell it at the minimum price to
agents & letting agents make the
money - & you whistle for your
royalty -

unless you now create
further value to the Co's contract
they can do nothing with it. There
has been a good bit of crookedness in
it for eight months & I want you
now to agree to keep hands off it
for the present. Johnson & I have
now got the Phonos in good shape,
we have done the square thing by you
we have put up our money squarely

I made your interests always
 the first thing with the belief
 that you would appreciate it
 if we made it a success & let
 us try something else -
 Whether we ever do anything
 more for you or not, I want
 you to stand by us on this - If you
 had not given Roosevelt that release
 & put him in position to hold the Jory
 contract for four years more without
 doing anything or paying you a cent,
 we would have had it for the Pharoed's
unencumbered before July!

Please let me hear from you -

Yours

W. H. Panicker

W.H.P.

I would do nothing full about
 it without consulting you
 7/2/22

W. R. R.

Concurrence
and Note
I will not
be any more
with R



of Dec 12-19 on hand -
I think you ought to say to Roosevelt
that the Phoenix claim that the recent
concession was given by you to him for
the 's' in order that the whole interest
might be in one concern. That in violation
of this he immediately assigned it to Russell
but then refused to sell to the Phoenix
anything but a privilege to spend money,
the result of which they could not achieve,
& that you think he had better come
to some understanding ^{with the 's'} before he asks you
to do anything ^{further} with ~~the~~ it.

Roosevelt has threatened to make Phoenix
under the by contract & is acting very badly.
He owes the Phoenix \$2400. & wants us to
settle it for \$500. I propose to make him pay it
all - Check over it about \$1100. They act like
non-eating sharks & if I had not moved on them

works as the first sign of workday
we would have been cleaned out.

I am going to my to-night. will be
in Phoenix all day, while may you
can come in & get a settlement &
your money up to date - I am going
to pay off every car we owe & put
\$5000. in the bank in Phoenix & hold as a
reserve fund.

Please send me copy of
any letter you send to "R!"

Yours Truly

U. H. Paine

Reiff had just notified me that
he has \$500. more ready for me
I am to call tomorrow morning
get it and pay it over to
Roosevelt - this reduces the
probability of my having to
call upon you & he may still
further reduce the amount

E. J.

Edison

What would you
advise - in absence
of my associates?
I'm in favor of giving
them at least a
temporary agency?

Have tonight's G. for Evidence of
the fact upon which I can
act officially

JAMES REDPATH.

P. O. Box 9929.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company.

202 BROADWAY

(1875)

Mr. Ed.,

18

Lund's method for registering the high-pitched
notes.

~~Get the~~

Make the present bonite mouthpiece thicker
in the middle. Enlarge the center hole so as
to make it large enough to receive the shank
of a second bonite mouthpiece which will contain
a hole the same size as the one now used.
The shank will have an ^{outer} edge a thread
which corresponds with a thread on the inner
edge of the enlarged center hole of the old
mouth piece. The balance of the new work

Piece is similar to the old one.

Here the end of the shaft comes through
the old piece, place on its edge,
either by gluing or fastening with a
counter-sunk pin, three, four or five rubber
pads as may be desired. By simply turning
the new quadrant round, it having
a rough edge to ~~hold~~ give a grip, the
pads are pressed against the diaphragm
with such pressure as may be required
and thus, a most delicate, equal and
improved adjustment is given & the sound
& articulation largely increased & perfected.

1878. Phonograph - Edison Speaking Phonograph Company - Accounts (D-78-031)

Correspondence, accounts.

All selected.

T. A. EDISON.

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Statements

Phonographs Leo

April 1878

Royalty for the month 30.00

W. H. Painter 7.50

C. Batchelor 2.25

J. Adams 1.13

D. L. Edson 19.12

30.00

30.00

New York April 1878.

Royalty to Thomas A. Edison
for royalty on Photographs
sold during the month of April
as per terms of agreement, as follows viz:

H. R. Jackson	7	30
J. C. Dutton	7	30
H. J. Bigelow	8	30
G. Curtis	15	30
J. F. Wilson	11	30

20% or

150

30

4/3000

3000

750

2250

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

1125

750

Printed 7.50
Bills 2.25
Claims 1.13
Savings 12.12

3000

S. A. Edison Exp. in Yc with Chas. A. Cheever Insule

1878					
Feb 4	To	Cash	p ^e check to self		2000
9	"	do	p ^e " " "		6000
March 11	"	do	p ^e " " "		150
15	"	do	p ^e to Larcot for your order		100
16	"	do	p ^e Currency by E. A. Johnson		200
22	"	do	p ^e J. B. Borden for your request		200
28	"	do	p ^e bill J. J. Crooke & Co		2925
April 2	"	do	p ^e check to self		200
25	"	do	p ^e " " "		400
30	"	do	p ^e " " "		200
					<u>947925</u>
C. V. C. E.					
New York May 2/78					
C. A. Cheever Insule					
p ^e S. E.					

Monthly Report of The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company, as per Agreement with Thomas A. Edison. -
For May 1878

Purchasers and Lessees	Address	No. of Machines	Price
Chas. H. Kewall	Albany N.Y.	1	95 50
J. N. Pratt	Brooklyn "	2	95 50
H. H. Eldred	St Louis Mo.	3	95 50
J. S. Vale	New York N.Y.	4	95 50
F. B. Smith	Albany "	5	95 50
J. R. Lundy	Morristown N.J.	6	95 50
J. Guthrie	New York N.Y.	7	95 50
Thos. Mason	St Louis Mo.	8	95 50
Geo. N. Lott	Grand Rapids Mich.	9	95 50
J. C. Vogler	Concord N.H.	10	95 50
Bell Bros	Cincinnati Ohio	11	95 50
E. S. Pike	New York N.Y.	12	95 50
Richard. Hamilton	Brewster "	13	95 50
J. H. Turner	Mt. Washington N.H.	15	95 50
M. J. Chappelle	Pennsylvania Pa.	16	95 50
J. B. Cook	New York N.Y.	17	95 50
B. V. Eaton	Clinton Pa.	18	95 50
R. P. Staats	New York N.Y.	19	95 50
Macdonald & Simmons	do do	21	95 50
L. W. Lamp	Clayton Ills.	22	95 50
A. C. Rauch	Laurel Pa.	24	95 50
A. K. White	Toledo, Ohio	27	95 50
Wm. McMahon	Boston Mass.	28	95 50
	Forward.		2196 50

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J. D. Fogler	Concord N.H.	10	95 50
Ball Bros	Cincinnati Ohio	11	95 50
L. S. Pike.	New York N.Y.	12	95 50
Richard. Haighton	Brewster "	13	95 50
J. H. Summers	Mt. Washington Md.	15	95 50
W. J. Chappell	Susquehanna Pa.	16	95 50
J. B. Cook	New York N.Y.	17	95 50
B. V. Eaton	Clinton Pa.	18	95 50
R. P. Streat	New York N.Y.	19	95 50
Macdonald & Simmons	"	21	95 50
L. W. Camp	Clayton, Ills.	22	95 50
A. C. Rauck	Laurelton Pa.	24	95 50
A. D. White	Toledo, Ohio	25	95 50
Wm. McMahon	Boston Mass.	28	95 50
	Forward.		2196 50

Forward.		2196 50
Everett O. Joss	Dover N. H.	29 95 50
P. S. Mosier	Charleston S.C.	30 95 50
J. Soule	Washington D.C.	31 95 50
McCull and Gore	New York N.Y.	32 95 50
Paul Ocker	do.	33 95 50
McCull and Gore	do.	34 95 50
Alexander T. Camden	Parkersburg W. Va.	36 95 50
Dr. R. W. Park	Waco Texas	37 95 50
J. M. Nixon.	New York N.Y.	38 95 50
Geo. H. Barnard	Portland Me.	39 95 50
J. J. Gleason	New York N.Y.	40 95 50
Geo. H. Bliss	Chicago Ills.	41 95 50
Barrie Brandt	Japan	42 95 50
Piper Sawyer & Co	Newburyport Mass.	43 95 50
Ed. Bolles	Salem Mass.	44 95 50
Geo. C. Maynard	Washington D.C.	47 95 50
Dr. H. M. Buttle	New York N.Y.	48 95 50
Geo. H. Bliss	Chicago Ills.	49 95 50
do.	do.	50 95 50
D. F. Dimon	New York N.Y.	52 95 50
Samuel Alchurchill	" "	53 95 50
W. M. Burnham	" "	54 95 50
Jas. J. Bargent	Maquoketa Iowa	56 95 50
		4393 50

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge and belief the foregoing list of Phonographs are the total number sold or Leased by the Edison Speaking Phonograph Company during the month of May 1878, and the amount \$4393.⁰⁰ was the total gross amount received for such sales or Leases.

Chas. Schreyer
~~Chas. Schreyer~~
 Pres. Edison Speaking Phon Co

T. A. EDISON.

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May 1878	
Pay for month	878.60
Painter	219.65
C. Batchelor	65.89
J. Adams	32.94
D. A. Edison	560.12
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	878.60 878.60

New York

May 1878

to Royalty to Thomas A Edison.
 June 1st For Royalty on
 Photographs sold during the month
 of May as per terms of agreement,
 as follows, viz:

Chas H. Jewell	Albany N.Y.	1	95 50
J.H. Pratt	Brooklyn N.Y.	2	95 50
W.H. Eldred	St Louis Mo	3	95 50
L. Hale	New York N.Y.	4	95 50
F.B. Smith	Albany N.Y.	5	95 50
J.H. Lundy	Morris Cove N.Y.	6	95 50
J. Gunkelge	New York N.Y.	7	95 50
Thos Mason	St Louis Mo	8	95 50
Geo H. Joss	Grand Rapids Mich	9	95 50
J.H. Fogler	Concord Mass	10	95 50
Bull Bros.	Denton O.	11	95 50
G.S. Rice	New York N.Y.	12	95 50
R. Hampton	Newcastle N.Y.	13	95 50
T.J. Turner	St Wash & Md	15	95 50
W.J. Chappelle	Shaguel & Pa.	16	95 50
J.B. Cook	New York N.Y.	17	95 50
D.T. Eaton	Clinton Pa	18	95 50
R.R. Staats	New York N.Y.	19	95 50
McDonald & Minnolds	"	21	95 50
L. W. Camp	Clayton N.	22	95 50
A. C. Rauch	Launceston Pa	24	95 50
A.D. White	Toledo O.	27	95 50
S. Mc Mahon	Dorset Mass	28	95 50
E.O. Joss	Dorset N.H.	29	95 50
P.T. Moray	Charleston S.C.	30	95 50
J. Soule	Washington D.C.	31	95 50
			2489 —

Brought forward.		24 83
Mc Call & Gore	New York N.Y.	32 95 50
Paul & Key	"	33 95 50
Mc Call & Gore	"	34 95 50
Alexander Händel	Takenabroga	36 95 50
E.W. Park	Naco Tex	37 95 50
M. Nixon	Naco Tex	38 95 50
G.H. Mardea	Portland Me.	39 95 50
J. G. Lawton	New York N.Y.	40 95 50
G.H. Bliss	Chicago Ill.	41 95 50
Lure Brandt	Japan	42 95 50
Peter Sawyers & Co	New York	43 95 50
E.C. Bolles	Salem Mass	44 95 50
G. Chaynard	Nashu. N.C.	47 95 50
W.C. Battles	New York N.Y.	48 95 50
G.H. Bliss	Chicago Ill.	49 95 50
"	"	50 95 50
J. J. Simon	New York	52 95 50
L.A. Churchill	"	53 95 50
A.M. Chomans	"	54 95 50
J.T. Jargut	Maquoketa Ia	56 95 50

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New York

June 1898

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60 Royalty Nov to Thomas Addison
 June 29 1898 Royalty on
 Photographs sold during the month
 of June 1898 as per terms of agreement,
 as follows, viz:

Geo. W. Mason	14	95 50
Elliot Mason	20	95 50
Samuel Hubbard	57	95 50
"	62	95 50
Ed. W. Jones	55	95 50
"	58	95 50
C. H. Lake	57	95 50
"	59	95 50
J. M. Nixon	60	95 50
C. A. Thayer	61	95 50
J. J. Gleason	62	47 75
N. Gray and	63	95 50
C. Barnes	67	95 50
L. T. Held	70	95 50
G. H. Bliss	71	95 50
"	73	95 50
"	74	95 50
"	75	95 50
J. R. Smith	72	95 50
J. S. Ross	76	95 50
F. W. Smith	76	95 50
Alfred Smith	76	95 50
W. F. Wheeler	77	95 50
"	46	95 50
C. B. Harris	79	95 50
E. Mc Crocker	80	95 50
E. H. Regillaud	81	95 50

20 76

2530 75

506 15

T. A. EDISON.

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<i>June</i>	
<i>Pay for month</i>	<i>506.15</i>
<i>W. H. Painter</i>	<i>126.53</i>
<i>G. Balchew</i>	<i>37.96</i>
<i>J. Adams</i>	<i>18.98</i>
<i>D. A. Carson</i>	<i>322.68</i>
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<i>506.15</i>	

J. A. Edison Exp. in c^o. with The Edison Speaking Phone Co.

1878	May	11	To Cash p ^d J. A. Edison on c ^o		200
"	"	18	" do p ^d do "		100
June	1	"	" do p ^d do "		500
"	"	4	" do p ^d do "		75
"	"	21	" do p ^d do "		75
"	"	29	" do p ^d do "		450
					<u>1400</u>
1878	June	1	By Royalty on Phonos. sold at pr statement rec ^d 20% on \$4393.75		878 60
July	1	"	do do 20% on \$2530.75		506 15
"	"	"	By Balance		1525
					<u>\$1400</u>
1878	July	1	To Balance		15.25
<p>E. O. C. New York July 1. 1878.</p> <p>Due for April \$30. on 1/2 term <u>1525</u> Still one - <u>\$1475</u></p> <p>Paid \$100 July 13.</p>					

T. A. EDISON.

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July —

Pay for this month 93.10

M. H. Paulor 23.27

W. B. Batehew 6.98

J. Adams 3.49

D. A. E. 59.36

93.10 93.10

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

New York, August 15th 1898.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Mauls Park, N.J.

Dear Sir.

Please find below statement of
Phonographs sold during the month of
July 1898.

*87. W. B. Duimore	@ 185.
*84. Victor Spaenhoven	" 186.
*72. H. Clay Ford	" 95.50
	<u>\$1465.50</u>

20% of above amt or \$293.10 has been
accordingly passed to the credit of your
account in our books.

*This machine find you
royalty in future refills, was
exchanged for #81 to which
this royalty now applies.

Very truly yours

Chas. C. Dailor
Treas.

9310
450
4810

9310
135
9445

1910 9550
9500
9500
1910
2500
1650
1910

T. A. EDISON.

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August	
Ray for receipt	1109.40
W H Pariter	102.35
to Balchelo	30.70
Jaacuna	15.35
D. E.	261.00
	<u>409.40</u>

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box 5529,

New York, September 10th 1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park, N.J.

My Dear Sir:

Enclosed you will please find
Monthly Statement of Phonographs sold and del.
during the month of August.

I have explained to your Mr. Giff.
for the cases where machines have been received
in exchange for those of improved style, and after-
wards sold; also about the two machines sold
to Mr. Jones at your request in which you were
erroneously paid a royalty of more than we need
for the machines.

I have been disappointed in not
seeing more of you since your return from the West
but am gratified to hear that you are progressing
with the development of a standard machine.

Hoping to soon have the pleasure
of a call from you I am Very truly Yours

Chas. E. Dudley
Treas.

Statement of Photographs sold and deltd. in August '78.

C. C. Cogswell	*2. Royalty full May. mmo for	*26.	95.50
John J. Mason	*10. " " " "	*65.	95.50
W. Chamberlain	Royalty full. Exchange	*21.	
Geo. W. Sherrwood		*25.	95.50
J. R. Smith	Royalty full in June	*82.	
E. B. Hamlin	Royalty full in May	*89.	
Young & Smith	"	*66.	95.50
W. J. Washburn		*69.	95.50
Morris Simmonds		*83.	185.
Geo. H. Bliss		*89.	185.
John Portcham		*90.	185.
D. A. De Lima	185.	*92.	185.
Wesley DeGraaf		*93.	185.
Geo. Washburn		*94.	185.
W. F. Jameson		*95.	185.
C. A. Sullivan		*96.	185.
E. B. Hamlin		*97.	185.
C. C. Cogswell		*104.	95.50
		2238.	

20 % of above is

447.60

Deduct Royalty on two photos.
No. 55. and 58. which paid royalty in
June refund by error, having been sold at
cost to P. W. Jones to go to D. Amos
by Mr. Edison's direction 2 @ 95.50 each

191.

20 % is

38.20

449.40

This Amt. \$449.40 is carried to the
credit of your A/c this day

E. & C.

OK W.C.

New York Sept. 10. 1878.

T. A. EDISON.

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Septmber
Pay for the month 461.
H. H. Parker 115 25
C. B. Archer 34 57
J. H. Lane 17 28
T. A. Edison 293 90

461 00

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.
P. O. Box 5529.

New York, October 8th 1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir:

Please find herewith my report of sales for the month of September, which shows a gratifying continuance of public interest in your invention; the demand however for these merely experimental instruments, cannot be expected to last many months longer, but will I hope be replaced by sales of the "Standard machine" which I understand you are perfecting.

While appreciating that you are always very busy we should be glad to see you often when in town.

Very Truly

Chas. E. Bailey
Treas.

Statement of Photographs Sold and deltd. in September 1878.

A. M. Musser (Royalty paid)	* 1.	
Jacob Backus	* 8.	
H. A. Parr	* 19.	
Silverz Lave	* 8a.	185
J. N. Dartenbury	* 86.	185
M. J. Higginbotham	* 91.	185
E. B. Hamlin	* 98.	185
Ditto	* 99.	185
W. L. McGee	* 100.	185
E. H. Harvey	* 102.	185
A. C. Lovell	* 105.	185
E. B. Hamlin	* 106.	185
M. F. Lopez	* 107.	185
J. P. Calvert	* 108.	185
Orin Bros	* 109.	185
E. B. Hamlin	* 110.	185
		\$23 05

20% on above amt is)

\$ 461

This amt. \$461. is accordingly
passed to the credit of your *day*
this day.

E. W. E.

Newark Oct. 8. 1878.

copy *copy*
H.C.

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

P. O. Box ³⁵⁹²
~~3592~~

CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.

New York, October 31st 1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir:

By direction of your Mr. Griffin
I have paid for and charged to your ac. during
the present month the following

Oct. 18.	50 pounds B Foil dtd A.C. Bloss. 15 th	7.50
	5 Boxes containing same @ 25 [¢]	1.25
" 25	10 pounds extra foil @ 40 [¢]	4.
	1 Box dtd Mr. Cannan	.25
" 29	A. S. Secor for 50 3 page folders	16.50
	" " 100 4 page cards	2.50
	for order of Mr. Griffin	
		<u>\$ 32.00</u>

Very Respectfully

Chas. E. Bailey
Treas.

July 1 - 1000 Royalty-
 10 100
 20 50
 24 15550
 27 50 35550
 Aug 1 10 - 1000 Washington
 3 50
 10 200
 15 200
 17 50
 24 50
 31 50 610
 Sept 7 - 50
 12 222 63
 21 50
 28 50 372 63
 Oct 5 450
 18 X 8.75 Stone
 30 X 19.00 Poston
 31 X 4.25 fail
 35 X 100.00
 292013

363 194
 368 21

T. A. EDISON.

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October

Ray for month	1461
W H Parule	115.25
C Balchster	34.57
J Adams	17.28
D A Edison	293.90
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	461.00

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY,

3592.
P. O. Box ~~5500~~
CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.

New York, November 7th 1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park,
N.J.

My Dear Sir: I have the pleasure of submitting
herewith the Company's statement of phonographs
sold during the month of October.

Very truly yours

Chas. E. Bailey
Treas.

Statement of Photographs Sold and Sold in October 1878.

J. B. Johnston	*112	186
John H. Hunter	*113	135
Mr. J. J. Williams	*115	135
D. C. Field	*116	110
C. M. Page	*120	135
H. A. Chute	*121	86
Rev. Thomas Douglas	*122	135
Wesley Degress	*124	110
L. T. Humphreys	*130	86
Brown & West	*131	85
N. F. Dexter	*133	85
S. W. Gorchuck	*134	85
H. Murray	*135	86
Edward Jones	*136	86
James Lowe	*137	85
A. J. Howell	*138	86
W. W. Wheatley	*139	85
Dick Manta	*140	85
Geo. H. Bliss	*141	85
U. S. Adams	*142	85
John H. Burton	*143	85
S. A. Kennedy	*144	85
Prof. Albert Johnson	*145	86

2305

*1461

20% on above amt is
which sum \$461. is accordingly
passed to your credit on our books
this day.

THE EDISON BROTHERS
PHONOGRAPH COMPANY.

Chas. E. Bailey

Treas

E. & C. S. New York Nov. 7. 1878.

T. A. EDISON.

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5325

Nov

Ray for me

218

W H Paul

5025

C Balch

1347

J Adams

673

J A E

12958

21300

5325
25

OFFICE OF
The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,

~~3992~~
P. O. Box ~~3992~~
180.

~~220 BROADWAY~~
66 Nassau St.

New York, Dec 4th 1898.

CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park

N. Jersey

Dear Sir:

Please find herewith Nov.
Report of Sales of Phonographs which
shows quite a falling off from last month
though it is to be expected that the interest
in a more elaborate machine will die out.
but Mr. Johnson hopes to produce something
before long that will excite a new demand.

Very truly yours

Chas. E. Bailey
Treas.

November Report of Phonographs Sold & Rented

J. O. Eastwing	* 88.	85.
Irving Moses	* 125.	85.
A. Shubert Caldwell	* 126.	110.
Robert Murray	* 127.	85.
Philip J. Warner	* 128.	135.
Dr. J. L. Curtiss (Bross' Machine)	* 132.	175.
R. C. Cathedral Fair	* 146.	110.
L. C. Cleveland	* 147.	85.
A. B. Wescott Jr.	* 148.	110.
L. A. Lunding	* 149.	85.
		<u>\$ 1065.</u>

20% or above amount is/

which amt. 213. is carried

to the credit of your Co this day

THE EDISON SPEAKING
PHONOGRAPH COMPANY.

Chas. E. Bagley
E. H. E. New York Dec. 14, 1898

Chas. E. Bagley

213.06
78.25
134.81

4/213
78.25

213.00
98.45
114.55

Added
ca B
J. Collins
Chas. E. Bagley

18.25
13.47
67.3
114.55
213.00

November REPORT of Phonograph Co.

CHAS. E. BAILEY TREAS.

Containing all
of the statements
since company
began up to
Jan 1. 1898

Balance then
owing to 7a Edson

822 03

W.C.

Copy of
Charles M. Cheever, Treas.

203 Broadway.

New York, Dec. 7th 1878.

R. W. L. 5392.

Mr. S. L. Griffin

Menlo Park

Dear Sir:

There appears a balance of
\$113⁴⁰ due Mr Edison on Original Agreement
for the Phonograph on my book.

This amount was due from
Mr Painter and we understood that
he has settled it directly with Mr Edison
please give us data as to the same so
that we can close the matter.

Yours truly
Chas. A. Cheever

W. L. Cander

Statement of Phonographs Sold & Rented in December, 1878.

M. Scherwin	101	135
W. R. Lyman	114	110
J. C. Erdman	117	85
Ch. W. Waldorman	118	65
W. J. Schmalz	119	85
Geo. W. Rollis	129	135
Joe H. Lang	151	85
W. J. Carter	152	85
W. C. Chamberlain	152	85
J. Clark	155	85
Chas. S. O'Leary (no Rental)	155	—
Chas. J. Mills	157	85
W. J. Cameron	159	85
L. R. Wells & Co.	163	85
Richard M. Harris	161	85
	<u>\$1365</u>	

20% of \$1365, amt sales, is \$273
 to which add Rental of 20% on Net
 Receipts of Rental for Exhibitions to
 Oct. 1/78, deducting Repatriate Salaries
 20% on \$575.95

Total Rental to Mr. Edison Credit \$1004.91

Granted Allowance for supplies on 100 Phon
 Machines, less \$5 each — \$200
 20% of \$200

Credit to Mr. Edison Credit \$1348.91
 E. W. Johnson, Jr. Cash

1878

Statement of The Edison's parish The Epist. P. C.

June 1	By Royalty for May	878	64	✓
July 1	" " June	506	15	✓
Aug. 1	" " July	37	-	✓
Aug. 15	" " "	98	10	✓
Sept. 10	" " Aug.	407	40	✓
Oct. 8	" " Sept.	461	-	✓
Nov. 7	" " Oct.	461	-	✓
Dec. 24	" " Nov.	213	-	✓
Jan. 1 ¹⁸⁷⁹	" " Dec.	273	-	✓
"	" " on Royalty for Exhibitions to Oct. 1/78	1031	91	✓
" 15	" Allowance on Supplies on (40) from Machine	40	-	
			4400	16
	To Cash in May	300	-	X
" "	June	1100	-	X
" "	July	355	50	X
" "	Aug.	610	-	X
" "	Royalty Co. Nov. Journal 7/77	37	-	X
" "	Cash in Sept.	372	63	X
" "	" Oct.	169	-	X
" "	Nov.	13	-	X
" "	Cash in Nov.	600	-	X
" "	C. E. Hubbard - Services	25	-	X
			3582	13
			822	03

Bal due Mr. Edison - \$822.03
 to Jan. 1/79

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Correspondence, some by Edison; memorandum, agreements, account, patent assignment, clippings.

Not selected: duplicate copies of correspondence, duplicate copies of agreements.

send us, specifications
or description, in the
interest of scientific
research.

It could you refer
us to anyone in England
who would really assist
us in the matter.

We congratulate you on
your many inventions
not least the "Electric
Pen" which the writer
uses in his business.

I am, dear Sir,
Yours very faithfully
Arch. D. Durrant

(Signature)

Archibald D. Durrant

Jan 7-8-78

(Signature)

11 Vere Street
London W. England
Jan. 28. 1878

Thomas Edison Esq:
Newark

Dear Sir:

Several scientific
friends have watched
with intense interest the
accounts which have
appeared in various
English publications respecting
your recent invention the
"Photograph". We are
wishing too much to repeat
ing you if possible to

P. V. Bolosky
Jan 28

Oslo, the 4 February 1878.



Sir!

Having read in the St. Peter. Herald a great
great notice the Phonograph, you have inven-
ted has obtained, it was so taken with it,
that I could not resist writing and to ask
you to send me such an apparatus, on receipt
of which it would be paid for, or to send the
price of the same.

P. V. Bolosky.

Address: Oslo, Russia - Conland.

or answer

S. P. Long New
York

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WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't, New York
& H. BURWELL, Sec'y.

Dated London Feb 8th 1878

Received at Meriden Park,

By Edison

First Class House
agrees to advance 2000
Pounds Cash for English
Phonograph and to give
us half profits on whole
Sale and Retail Sales
Expenses all borne by them
Reply immediately and press
for 5000.

Puskas

39 London

LAW OFFICES OF J. C. MORTON,

METROPOLITAN LIFE BUILDING,

COR. CHURCH ST. & PARK PLACE,

32nd St. N.Y.
New York, Feb 23 1878

Prof Thomas A Edison
Menlo Park. N. J

Dear Sir

On behalf of clients in England
we write to ask if you are open to
negotiations for the sale of the
European rights in the patent
Phonograph invented by you. The
parties we represent are widely
known and responsible and
have the necessary capital to
organize the business and intro-
duce the invention to whatever
extent desired and can arrange
to do so upon shares with you
with a cash bonus. If you have

JC Norton
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disposed of the rights to England,
an arrangement can probably
be made with reference to the
continent or to France and
Germany alone.

Should you be disposed
to treat with us, we can furnish
you with names of our clients
which will satisfy you of their
ability to carry out any agree-
ment entered into.

An answer by return
mail, if convenient, would
oblige.

Yours Respectfully
Norton & Olney.

Month No. 1.

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WILLIAM ORTON, President, New York
A. H. BREWER, Secretary

Dated New York Feb. 28th 1878

Received at Amulo Park

Dr. J. C. Edison

It affords me much
pleasure to communicate to you
the following very complimentary
message from France.

London, Prince Daga Mr Edison
The Society of Telegraph Engineers
was at their meeting.

Right truly Congratulatory and
Thanks to Mr Edison for the services
he has rendered to Applied Science
By his invention of the Phonograph
which interested and delighted
a crowded audience -

N. Green

Horton & Olney
Mar 1, 78

New York March 1st 78
Res Office of J. C. Horton
32 Park Place

J. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir

We are in receipt of your favor of Feb 25. We should judge from your statement of the situation respect ing the European right to the Phonograph, that your proposition made by cable has been accepted conditionally by the London parties. That being the meaning of their request to you to await their letters, other wise they would have accepted at once by cable.

We have only to say in reply to your favor of above date, that should

your mail advises prove un-
satisfactory to her, by reason
of the modifications attach-
ed to your proposition, and
you should thus be left open
to other negotiations. We
think that we could
get you a better cash
offer from our clients than
you have demanded.
Should this occasion
arise we would cable
at once to our correspon-
dents in London. We
wrote him on the subject
by the Russian Steamer
which left this port
Feb 23, and is due at
Southampton (Eng.) next
Tuesday.

It would be
a pleasure to you. We

Horton might visit Shells
Park and witness the
experiments with the
diagraph (which we only
want of your current re-
port) at any time you
would advise us that
you would be at home.

Respectfully Yours
Horton & Olney

Mr E. d. m. to say & to that
He will be at home
Tuesday next and would
be pleased to show you and
friends the phonographs
& suggests that you come on
the 3 pm train from NY
returning at 6.30.



50, CHEAPSIDE, E.C.

London, 7 March 1878.

My dear Sir,

I now write to you to say that I have at last settled the Agreement with Mr. Puskass relating to the Phonograph and the Agreement is transmitted by this mail for your signature, with the sum of £500 (Five hundred pounds) has been handed to you by the Bank of New York on the due execution of the Deeds - copies of which, with our signatures have been already transmitted to you by Mr. Puskass.

I trust that we may be enabled to transact every satisfactory

business together, and I consider it most important that if you have made any essential improvements - as I gather from your Telegram to Mr. Puskass, you have - that you should at once Patent them in this Country, so that if the original Patent should be upset, there would stand

This is very necessary to our mutual success.

Next, it is most important that you should send me as early as possible, one or two of the plate machines, in order that our representatives may take orders from them, while the excitement of the Novelty is commencing. Also if possible a block for a similar purpose. I understand the small Toy Machine is expected at the Fair to-day and I am waiting to see how that works

I should much like to hear of you for the future.

Very A. Wallage

March 7, 78

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that I may cable an order at once,
if satisfactory.

I feel confident that this
Instrument is only in the infancy,
and that your great inventive
genius will make it one of the
Scientific Marvels of our Age.
I have advanced this sum of
money on the faith of this, and
I trust that we shall work
most cordially together - that
you will buy all that we require
in the best market, and have
the Instruments well improved
before leaving. In a word it will
be to the interest of us both to buy
in the cheapest market, and sell
at the best prices, we can obtain
consistently with securing an
extensive sale.

I think I may say without
Exaggeration, that our House will be
able to do the best for your
Invention.

As our speciality lies in bringing
out Scientific Novelties, and I feel
sure that you will see this to your
own interest as well as ours to
keep up the supply that we
shall require, and to sustain
us with your aid and advice
in every possible way.

Repeating our expression of
confidence that we shall be
able to do a large and satisfactory
business together, and
congratulating you upon being
the Inventor of so ingenious and
important an Instrument.

Yours truly,
Sam. Rowser

Yours very faithfully,

George Mottage
Manager Partner

J. A. Edison Esq.
Marlow Park
New Jersey, U.S.A.



COMMERCIAL CHAMBERS,

West Bromwich,
England

March 14th 1878

Let Edmon & Co
Newark

New Jersey U.S.A.

Dear Sir

Yours to hand, we shall be most happy
to do something with your Phonograph so soon as
matters are settled.

Could you give our names to your English
agents? We should also be glad if you would
also give us their names, with the view to business.

Faithfully Yours

Augustus Westwood & Co

Referred to
London

Enclosed to
T. A. Edmon

the screws by which the
phono. was fastened to
the bottom of the box
(^{that is, they were entirely out,}
got loose) and the phono
was knocked ~~against~~
the top of box till the
mouthpiece broke off. -

The screws are too small,
I think they ought to
go through the bottom
and be fastened to it from
the outside by nuts.

I showed the phono to
Notlage but naturally
could not work it. -
Tonight I am again
going over to Paris and

will see ~~there~~ for how
much I can get them
manufactured there.

If the difference in price
between American & French
make is not great
then Notlage will give
orders at same place
where I order mine
for the Exhibition.

I think Hardy will be
my man; - he is also making
your pens. - Notlage
may perhaps order some
phonos in France and
some in the States. -

I have not received
as yet the tin-foil. -

Am also anxiously waiting
for the telephones.

My trip to Brussels
was very satisfactory, -
everybody was enthusiastic
about your phones. - I think
I have now to stop with
exhibiting the phones - till
I get at least several hun-
dred ready for the market.
The excitement is already
great. - They write in
every parisian paper
long articles about it.

More from Paris
Yours truly
J. P. Cusker
over all the things you
want to have exhibited
beside the phones,
telephone and
pen.

W York mch 26/78.

T. A. Edison }

Please come up here if
possible before you go
out this Pm. Phonograph
Business - Paris -

Yours Eff
28 Feb.

Mr Thomas A Edison
Electrician

Garden Place,
Melbourne,

New Jersey N. S. America South Australia, April 9 1878

Dear sir The writer having visited the pentennial, saw your Electric Pen & bought away samples of its work but as we had our hands full with numerous other American inventions which we were taking in hand to introduce them to South Australia & some of them to the whole of the Australian Continent ^{we did not at first time touch your pen} He sends you per same, first a few newspapers by which you will see that we occupy a leading position in commercial circles in South Australia. The papers of the latest date contain paragraphs in re your electric Pen. Having read an account of your wonderful Phonograph or talking instrument, we at once decided to write asking you to appoint us your Agent for South Australia or the whole of Australia just as you please. We leave it to your judgement as to the kind of appointment you give us, but we refer you to Messrs Parnis & Alden of 133 Market St Phila Pa who have assigned over to us their entire patent right for ~~South Australia~~ the whole of Australia Tasmania & New Zealand & if you will take the trouble to snap a line to the above firm you will, we think find that they are thoroughly satisfied with the result of their assignment as they have received a large amount of money from us in royalties on their patent. We think if you are willing to ~~submit~~ ^{submit} us with your patent in this land that you will reap a benefit, but if not you will not receive

any benefit whatever, for according to our laws no article can be patented ~~if~~ after it has been used here, so if you are agreeable to our proposition kindly attend to it immediately as that is the only chance. We enclose an assignment form for you to fill up which will be quite sufficient authority for us to take immediate steps to protect ~~the~~ invention. You will see by the enclosed paragraphs that the writer was the first to succeed with Professor Bello Telephone on this side of the Globe. Mr. W. Churchill of 493 Greenwich St New York knows us well & if you thought proper to send us one of your phonographs he would see to having it forwarded to us with all speed as he transacts a large amount of business for us Hoping to hear from you per return mail

We remain yours faithfully

Please don't fail to reply per return post deciding one way or other

A. B. J. Dolbie

Per W. W. Dolbie

P.S. If you have any other inventions that you would like introduced to this side of the water you might assign them as above & you would have no cause to regret it

Of course you can please yourself as to what kind of agreement or terms you make with us in the matter but we enclose the usual form. The terms ^{being} are the same as we have with Bunt & Alden; but please give us authority to take immediate action otherwise it will become public property. If you preferred we could patent it in your name joined with ours. Yours faithfully A. B. J. Dolbie

[ENCLOSURE]

As Messrs. Wm. C. Adams, A. & T. Dublin, who have imported such a number of American machines, have skilled in their collection a most curious apparatus for copying or producing tracings of letters, plans, drawings, &c. The idea is a mere application of the electric plate, and it is in the shape of producing the stencil effect, the great ingenuity is displayed. The apparatus consists first of a small two-cell battery, which can easily be removed out of gear. From this a double insulated wire conducts the electricity to the pen, which consists of a hollow steel cylinder, about six inches in length, surrounded by wax is virtually a tiny galvanic region. A very small but proportionately heavy-current, double insulated in motion by the a moderate calculation of 77,000/2200 revolutions per minute, more or less. Attached to the by-wire shaft is a little counter which can revolve a vertical bar working up and down in the cylinder or pen. To the end of the bar is fixed a pencil or carbon, the point of which is positioned about one thirty-second part of an inch beyond the sheared lower extremity of the pen. In use the operator turns on the battery, keeps the middle of the pen, which is held vertically, and presses the point merely once the paper forming the figure or letter by a line of fine carbon pencil. When the original is finished it is transferred to a little frame, which is used like the typeset of a printing press, except that the ink-roller is passed over the original each time a fresh sheet is laid beneath. By this means an indefinite number of copies may be produced.

RESIDENT DIRECTOR IN EUROPE
GEORGE T. GOURAUD.

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1898

Phon.
NEW YORK CITY U.S.A.
120 BROADWAY.

The Mercantile Trust Company

6 Lombard Street, E.C.

Corner of St. Andrew's Lane.

London Sept. 1898

My dear Erson

I counted yesterday with
Alderman Waddy who
is also Sheriff of London
& I think I may say that
so far as he is concerned he
is a very good man to have
the phonograph in hand -
but he is evidently not
pleased at having to do
with Passus - a subject upon
which he spoke with much
emphasis and some feeling
I thought - He expressed the
hope that you had not
given him Passus a power
of attorney to act for you

a any connection with your
interests in England. ~~and~~
begged me to ~~not~~ persuade
you not to do so. Passens
told him he had written to
you & gave him such a Pass.
If not too late you may
have my services in this
Connection. upon the same
terms as you had thought
of giving Passens. I am
especially well situated here
to Co-operate with Potbury
& am sure I could make
your ultimate profits
larger than they would be
otherwise ~~be~~. It seems
absolutely indisputable
to your best interests that
you should have some interest
with you in whom you know
you rely & who lives here.

John says your last first
telephone didn't work at all
He is much interested to
see how the last will go.
If you could you simply
forward London

Accepted - I shall know
that you accept me as your
Attorney in the Phonograph
and will at once advise
Wetmore who will I know
be much pleased -
I will then have proper
paper drawn ready to
fill in the share in the
Phonograph which you shall
desire to give me for
my services

Yours faithfully

Wm. E. Johnson

Reminds me that we have been so long
promised - what you will take for it
is now subject to right of attorney of course

*Please refer to them to The Edison Phonograph Co 574 Broadway
London who have the English patent of the phonograph - you may
also refer to them to the Edison Phonograph Co 574 Broadway New York*

Erie Railway Shareholders' Committee

JOHN LIVINGSTON, COUNSEL, 154, WEST FOURTEENTH ST.

DIRECT LETTER TO
P. O. BOX 2566.

NEW YORK, April 23, 1878.

Thos. A. Edison, Esq.

My dear Sir:

By Sir Henry
W. Tyler, of Wyvenhoe Hall,
Colchester, England, Railway
Inspector of the British
Board of Trade, (now Pres-
ident of the Grand Trunk
of Canada -) to ask whether
you will kindly inform
me of the prices of
the Phonograph, - the files
&c Any circular giving

Erie Railway Shareholders' Committee.

JOHN LIVINGSTON, COUNSEL, 154, WEST FOURTEENTH ST.

Direct Letters to
P. O. BOX. 2566.

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NEW YORK,

1878.

The desired information I shall be happy to receive and transmit to his office in London. ++ You may remember him as the gentleman who came to inspect the Erie line, in 1874, by permission of Parliament. He is the best informed Railway Expert in all England.

Resd John Livingston



2, BOW CHURCH, YARD,
LONDON, E.C. 2.

April 24th 1898

Dear Mr. Edison

I duly received
the Deeds by your letter of the
23rd ult. & a Magazine and
Newspaper ones for which
accept my thanks. There was
something I ought to have
had but only received the
cover perhaps it would be
as well in future to tie the
publication round with trins
& write on it, instead of on a
paper wrapper.

Disclaimers

It's very important you should
settle these, as if any claims
are laid they affect the
whole part of the patent equally

with the other. Mr. Grell
thinks with myself that this
is most essential. so I hope
you will give your Solicitor
instructions immediately

Improvements

It is also very important
you should secure these, as
we shall be having persons
taking out patents here for
the improvements you have
already invented in America
which will include our
using them.

State Machine

I quite appreciate that you
say upon this that it would
be very unwise to bring it
out prematurely. I shall
be glad to receive the 2nd
instrument you promise.

Cock

I shall be glad to get this
so that we may send over

orders for them. I do not
think they need trouble themselves
about excessive cheapness for
a Novel Article like this.
we can come to Cheapness
afterwards. This remark will
also apply to Days - any one
of which I shall be glad
to see.

Instruments

I was about calling to you
to send over 200 immediately,
but Mr. Suckas advised me
to wait till he got a manufacturer
in Paris to produce them.

I am waiting to be satisfied
that the manufacturer can
produce the right article when
I shall immediately order.

Mr. Suckas informs me that
he shall get a very superior
article, many parts in Nickel
Silver, for $\frac{7}{8}$ or 2 Dollars
each more than the
manufacturer can produce.

several hundred in 2 weeks
from date of order. In the
meantime I have had a
machine made with Ackworth
which was yesterday exhibited
at the Crystal Palace & I
shall exhibit elsewhere. The
Secturers wherever they show
the instruments will take
orders for the remainder ones

If this turns out a
success I shall be pleased
to place a portion of the
results to your credit

If the instruments were sold
at once at the present
moment each purchaser
could adapt this course,
but would not obtain
orders. I am afraid
Mr. Suckas is too fierce
& litigious in his disposition
for me to work with him
satisfactorily, & at present
our relations are direct -



2, BOW CHURCH YARD,
LONDON, E.C.

- with you & I hope they will
continue so, if he be constituted
your representative here.
You give up your power
to him. I feel sure things
will not work harmoniously
or profitably. I have said
this, because I think I heard
something about his asking
for a "Power of Attorney"
from you. I must ask you
to regard this portion of
my letter as perfectly
private & confidential

Trusting you will not
overwork your brain &
hoping soon to hear from you
Yours faithfully
Samuel M. Wilson
70 Eden Sq. Saml M. Wilson

The
foreign photographer
who has made me

Washington April 24th

Thomas A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir!

I regret very
much not being able to see you
when in the city, as I am especially
interested in your phonographs.
Already to return to Sweden from
my trip in this country, I deem
it of such interest that if possible
I would like to see you and gain
complete knowledge of it, in order
to bring it before our scientific
and artistic King and interest
other learned people.
Have you any manufactured grt, adv

Should I like to present one to our
King?

Would it be inconvenient for you
to see me if I call Tuesday?
Please answer by return mail.
Philadelphia Pa. as I expect
to sail Wednesday but will stop
in Phila. some hours on the way
to New York.

Yours very respectfully
Renee E. C. Harbison

P.S.

Fearing that an answer will not
reach me in time, will you please
send a card to the Swedish
Consulate New York
telling me where I may obtain
information in New York City.

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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A. B. BREWER, Secy.

WILLIAM COTTON, Pres't.

Dated New York May 12th 1878

Received at
St. Louis A. Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Please give us
permission to allow a
lease of Cuba to exhibit
for two months, money
in its party, responsible,
May lose it altogether if
not closed, answer
Chambers,

28 p.m.

Breiden, N. S. 1878
Dear Sir! This morning I had the great pleasure of hearing
the performance of one of your Phonographs and, indeed,
I am very surprised of its ability of reproduction of those
words and sounds, which were uttered into its own throat.
I never read, it could talk so intelligibly.
I beg, at this occasion, to express to you my best thanks
for your great kindness; I mean, I have received all
the specimens of newspapers you were kind enough to
forward to me, although they took their way over
Chenitz, which, as you will have learned from that
little pamphlet I told you some days before, I left two
years ago.
After a short time I shall be able to forward to
you some little pamphlets too; please accept them freely.
Yours most truly,
L. J. Little

New York May 10 1878

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Mr. Wm. Edison on behalf of himself and
Charles Probas & Geo. H. Ohio, grants to
the Edison Speaking Phonograph Co the right
to exhibit the Speaking Phonograph
in the West India Islands for a period
of three months from date, thirty three per
cent of the gross proceeds to be paid the Co. less percent
of the Co. to be paid Charles Probas & Geo. H. Ohio, a further per
cent of the balance to be paid Charles Probas & Geo. H. Ohio as per
contract.

(May 14, 1878)

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Articles of Agreement entered into this 14th day of May 1878, by and between Thomas A. Edison, of Mount East, Middlesex County, New Jersey; Frank M. Laughlin, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey; and Charles F. Harris, of the City, County, and State of New York.

Whereas, The said Edison is the inventor of a machine known as the Phonograph, for recording the human voice and other sounds and for reproducing the same, and

Whereas, the said Edison has applied for Patents for said invention in Australasia and is desirous that said invention shall be practically introduced in said Australasia and made profitable to him, and

Whereas, the said M. Laughlin and Harris are desirous of acquiring an interest in said invention and the rights and profits accruing from the same and may patent or patents that are or may be granted therefor in said Australasia, and the said M. Laughlin is willing to devote the necessary time and his services and to proceed to said Australasia and introduce the said invention, carry the same into effect and make it remunerative, and the said Harris is willing to pay the necessary and reasonable expenses incurred by the said M. Laughlin in so doing.

Now Therefore The Parties are Agreed, as follows:-

The said Edison in consideration of two dollars, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and the faithful performance of the covenants herein contained and for other valuable consideration hereinafter mentioned hereby grants unto the said M. Laughlin and Harris the sole and exclusive right to make use and sell the aforesaid invention in said Australasia under any patent which is or may be granted, therefore to him or his duly authorized agent during invention years from the date hereof. The said M. Laughlin hereby agrees to proceed with all reasonable dispatch to said Australasia and there diligently to give his time and services in rendering said invention profitable, by constructing or having constructed selling or exhibiting machines embodying the invention of the said Edison on Phonography during the continuance of this contract. The said Harris hereby covenants and agrees to furnish the amount of money necessary for the purchase of two Phonographs and such other amount of money as are necessary for the payment of the reasonable expenses incurred by said M.

Laughlin in going to said Australasia and carrying out the terms of this agreement and to furnish all necessary capital to work the inventions in said Australasia during the continuance of this contract. It is hereby further covenanted and agreed by the parties hereto that the net profits arising under this agreement shall be paid share and share alike to and unto the said Oliver McLaughlin and H. Harris, that is to say 33 1/3 per cent. to the said Oliver McLaughlin and 33 1/3 per cent. to the said H. Harris. The said McLaughlin hereby covenants and agrees that he will keep a just, true and accurate account of all of his transactions made in pursuance of this agreement and render unto each the said Oliver and H. Harris, at the end of each and every quarter beginning with that ending 31st day of September 1874, a detailed statement which shall truly and faithfully show each and every act by him performed under this agreement and account for all sums of money by him received and disbursed in pursuance thereof and the profits arising thereupon, which said profits shall be transmitted and paid by him as follows, one third thereof to the said Oliver and one third thereof to the said H. Harris and one third to himself at the end of every said quarter.

It is further agreed on the part of the said Oliver that the said McLaughlin and H. Harris shall have the option to either pay to the said Oliver 33 1/3 percent of the profits or a 20 percent royalty on the gross receipts from all sources, but the said McLaughlin and H. Harris agree that under no consideration shall the money paid to the said Oliver be less than 20 percent of the gross receipts. It is further agreed that this contract shall not be transferred to any other party without the written consent of the said Oliver, and that this contract shall be null and void and all rights thereunder shall revert to the said Oliver if the said McLaughlin and H. Harris or either of them shall refuse to perform any of the stipulations herein set forth or grossly neglect to work the patent in such countries.

In witness whereof the parties hereto have interchangeably set their hands and seals on the day and year first above written.



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REVISTA INDUSTRIAL.

J. C. Bannerman,
Editor
and Publisher.

OFFICES:

NO. 21 & 23 N. Y. TIMES BUILDING,
P. O. Box 6261.

New York, May 20th 1878

Prof. T. A. Edison, Menlo Park
N.J.

My dear Sir: The next steamer to Brazil will
sail on June 6th and if you wish to
send a photograph to the Emperor it
should be here about the 4th. I will
be glad to meet you either here or at your
laboratory if you wish me to write down in
Portuguese the instructions for the working of the
instrument, as you suggested.

I enclose herewith the proof of an
engraving I have ordered after the photograph
obtained at 'Kurtz', which I will publish
in one of my papers, within two weeks.

Very respectfully,
your admirer
J. Rodriguez.

P.S.

I have sent a photograph of
your to the Illustration, of Paris,
which will undoubtedly publish a
fine engraving here at.

R.

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Contract TRANSMISSION and DELIVERY is made only on conditions, stipulated in full here, which have been printed on the reverse of the contract.

It is to be printed in full on the reverse of the contract, and the time of transmission and delivery is to be determined by the Western Union Telegraph Company.

A. B. BREWER, Sec'y.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Date Cable May 20 1888

Received at Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

New York City
forward immediately
hundred pounds
for each side

Quaker

11 Paris

in any receipts from exhibiting the
phonograph I expressed surprise
at his affecting to call me more
about your exhibit than I do.

I think you was Count upon
Mr. Kattag's receiving a most
highly at least and that you will
receive some share of the proceeds
which are calculated to be very
large - if the exhibition part of the
thing be infamously with Kattag's full
furnished out with activity to him
in case relation with Kattag of the
honour with respect to a
compaign of this sort which
will at once bring intensive pro-
advertising to him the way for
over balance numbers of
machines - Please send me
copy of your contract with Pusey
which you were good enough to
offer me when in N.Y.
Also they you put attention to the
other matters in the Commission
concerning my interest in your
affairs which I am satisfied
for it has been the means of my success
I think the means of my success
were as good as I have any doubt
of it.

B78 Ph.

C. Lombard Street, E.C.

London 28 May 1878

Y. A. Esq.

Dear Sir,

Phonograph.

I have not yet been able to
see Pusey. He has an interview
the Thursday with Kattag who
again volunteered several
expressions indicating dissatisfaction
at having to work with Pusey.
There is something about Pusey's
manners which irritate, irritate,
Mr Kattag and I earnestly
advise you not giving Mr
Pusey any further power than
he already holds in connection
with your phonograph matters
in fact written at least.
Kattag mentioned incidentally
that should his contract with you
you had no right to participate

W. Churchill,

493 Greenwich Street,

New York, June 1st 1878

Mr Thomas A. Edison

Sir

I write to ask if
you will soon be in New York
I desire to see you in behalf
of some Gentlemen in Australia
in regard to introducing your
Phonograph - I have some cop-
ies of letters for you but do not
mail them till I am sure have
your address correct - I think it
may be for your interest to see me
please let me have reply soon

Respectfully Yours

W. Churchill

Warrensburg June 3/75
 Mr Thomas A. Edison

Dear Sir:

About

three weeks ago I wrote you an important letter, and addressed it "Charles F. Edwards Tribune Building New York City, Inventor of the Phonograph," and not having received an answer in a reasonable time, I came to the conclusion that I had not directed it properly; so I wrote to the New York Sun, and inquired your initials and address, with which information I am now enabled to properly address you.

The letter I addressed to you I say again was an important one from the fact that it bears great

weight on the introduction of your invention in Europe. My father and an assistance to him, financially. It was in my assistance as follows: My father, an ex-ambassador to Venice, under President James Buchanan, by a heavy failure in business, was compelled to seek other fields for his recovery and being a thorough German scholar, as well thoroughly conversant with the French, Italian, and English languages, went to Europe a country in which he is very well acquainted, (having paid five or six previous visits) to do so. And it was during his

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4.
I recent stay, that through the
American journals he became
acquainted with your photo-
graph, and so deeply has he
become interested in it, that
he has delivered several
lectures upon it, a comment
on one of which I have had
translated from a German
journal, and it is in con-
nection with the previous
letter I wrote you, and which
no doubt is in the New York P.O.
at present, and which I hope
you will obtain. He is very
anxious to have the honor to
introduce your photograph in
that country, and, I am safe
in saying that my dear Sir,

from the fact only that he is my
father, and that it would be my
first duty to say so) that your
interests would be well taken
care of and furthered.

And since writing you I have
received another letter from
him, in which he desires me
to ask you in what manner
you dispose of or sell your
instrument, and also wishes
me to send him one by the
next steamer, if possible. I
hope therefore, my dear Sir, you
will pardon his feather, you
may think forever in my
communication, as only
force of circumstances and
duty compel me; and I

5.

also hope you will be kind
enough to get the previous letter
from the New York P.O.

Anxiously awaiting a reply,
I remain

Your most obedient

servant
Chas. D. Sprenger,
State Printing Office
Harrisburg, Pa.

Philadelphia 5th Jan 57

Mr Edison

Dear Sir I send forwarded
a Manuscript for Exhibition
in Brazil & South America
from Maria Emeline
Ward Philadelphia
I send August 332 and 4th last

Philadelphia

I address at the lat station
in Philadelphia and knowing
your address

Please send me a copy

Thank you already
for what I hope will be a most interesting paper

W. Churchill,

493 Greenwich Street,

New York, June 6th 1878

Mr J. A. Edison

Dear Sir

I herewith
enclose letter &c sent to Mr
Mr Dobbin - I wish you could
arrange to meet his desires - he
or they are thorough business
men & reliable

Truly yours

W Churchill

Please favor me with the
address of your agent that
has left for Australia

P. O. Box 6820.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
208 BROADWAY.

New York, June 7th 1878

Thos^d A. Edison, Esq.,
Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir,

Herewith please find
Copy powers of attorney furnished
Mr. F. W. Jones for use in Empire
of Brazil & Argentine Republic.
The agreement Mr. Jones executed
we have in our safe subject to
your orders

Very Truly Yours

C. A. Cheever

[Signature]

P.S. - Have you rec^d your 2 Open Chains and
the Photographic Material *[initials]*

New York, June 8th 1878

Prof. Mos. A. Edison

Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir,

I saw in this morning's Herald an account of your Kyt Phonograph. - Being about going to Germany to stay, I should like to find something good to take out either to manufacture there or to import from here, provided I can have the control for the whole or part of Germany. -

Will you be kind enough, to inform me by a few words, if you are willing to make an arrangement with me, if everything can be made satisfactory. -

By doing so you will greatly oblige

Yours truly
Julius H. Reischmann

ans. June 8.78

Ed. Moser
sent June 8.78

(June 10 1878)

Articles of Agreement entered into this 10th day of June 1878, by and between Thomas A. Edison, of Menlo Park, Middlesex County, New Jersey, Frank M'Slaughlin, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey, and John Hickling of the City of Brooklyn, County of Kings, State of New York.

Whereas, The said Edison is the inventor of a machine known as the Phonograph, for recording the human voice and other sounds and for reproducing the same, and

Whereas, the said Edison has applied for patents in Australasia for said invention and is desirous that said invention shall be practically introduced in said Australasia and made profitable to him, and

Whereas, the said M'Slaughlin and Hickling are desirous of acquiring an interest in said invention and the rights and profits accruing from the same and any patent or patents that are or may be granted therefore in said Australasia, and the said M'Slaughlin is willing to devote the necessary time and his services and to proceed to said Australasia and introduce the said invention, carry the same into effect and make it remunerative, and the said Hickling is willing to pay the necessary and reasonable expenses incurred by the said M'Slaughlin, in so doing.

Now Therefore the Parties are Agreed, as follows:-

The said Edison in consideration of two dollars, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged and the faithful performance of the covenants herein contained and for other valuable considerations hereinafter mentioned here, by grants unto the said M'Slaughlin and Hickling the sole and exclusive right to exhibit, make, use and sell the afore-said invention in said Australasia under any patent which is or may be granted therefore to him or his duly authorized agent during seventeen years from the date hereof. The said M'Slaughlin hereby agrees to proceed with all reasonable dispatch to said Australasia and there diligently to give his time and services in rendering said invention profitable, by constructing or having constructed selling or exhibiting machines embodying the invention of the said Edison on Phonographs during the continuance of this Contract. The said Hickling hereby covenants and agrees to furnish the amount of money necessary for the purchase of two Phonographs and such other amounts of money as are necessary for the payment of the reasonable expenses incurred by said M'Slaughlin

in going to said Australasia and carrying out the terms of this agreement and to furnish all necessary capital to work the invention in said Australasia during the continuation of this contract. It is hereby further covenanted and agreed by the parties hereto that the net profits arising under this agreement shall be paid share and share alike to and unto the said Edison, McLaughlin and Hickling, that is to say 33 1/3 per cent to the said Edison 33 1/3 per cent to the said McLaughlin and 33 1/3 per cent to the said Hickling. The said McLaughlin hereby covenants and agrees that he will keep a just, true and accurate account of all of his transactions made in pursuance of this agreement and render unto each the said Edison and Hickling, at the end of each and every quarter beginning with that ending 31st day of September 1878, a detailed statement which shall truly and faithfully show each and every act by him performed under this agreement and account for all sums of money by him received and disbursed in pursuance thereof and the profits arising thereupon, which said profits shall be transmitted and paid by him as follows, one third thereof to the said Edison and one third thereof to the said Hickling and one third thereof to himself at the end of every said quarter.

It is further agreed on the part of the said Edison that the said McLaughlin and Hickling shall have the option to either pay to the said Edison 33 1/3 per cent of the profits on a 20 per cent royalty on the gross receipts from all sources, but the said McLaughlin and Hickling agree that under no consideration shall the money paid to the said Edison be less than 20 per cent of the gross receipts. It is further agreed that this Contract shall not be transferred to any other party without the written consent of the said Edison, and that this contract shall be null and void and all rights thereunder shall revert to the said Edison if the said McLaughlin and Hickling or either of them shall refuse to perform any of the stipulations herein set forth or grossly neglect to work the aforesaid invention in such Countries.

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have interchangeably set their hands and seals on the day and year first above written.

Witness

This Supplemental Agreement entered into this 10th day of June A.D. 1878. by and between Thomas A. Edison, of Menlo Park, Middlesex County, New Jersey, Frank M. Laughrin, of Newark, Essex County, New Jersey, and John Hickling of the City of Brooklyn, Kings Co, New York.

Witnesseth

Whereas the said McLaughlin & Hickling believe that they can sell the Contract, rights under it, and the Patents for Phonographs in the Australasian Countries by going to England, and

Whereas The said Edison is willing to dispose of all his rights and patents in such countries for a lump sum, therefore be it agreed that the said Edison will sell his rights and patents in such Australasian Countries upon the payment to him of the sum of Seventeen thousand five hundred dollars in cash, if the same is paid on or before the 31st day of July 1878. but not thereafter, and

Whereas it is expressly agreed on the part of the said McLaughlin and Hickling that if they do not succeed in selling such rights and patents for a lump sum within the time named then the said McLaughlin shall proceed via Southampton to Australia and there carry out the provisions of the Contract dated 10th day of June, 1878.

In Witness whereof the parties hereto have interchanged, ably set their hands and seals on the day and year first above written

Witness

Dear Sir, * * * [June 11, 1878]
 Your postcard recd. - As
 I shall probably not leave for
 Germany before July 20th, I should
 feel obliged to you, if you would in-
 form me as soon as you can make
 arrangements for the trip. Photographs
 very rarely
 J. H. Reichmann
 Paris, etc. New York
 and J. H. Reichmann
 Rep'd here

New York, June 11
 Thos. G. Edison,

(No. 111) I will I
 bring everything down
 to New York this 15
 with a reply quick,

McLaughlin,
 A.B.

McLaughlin.

New York

Yes.

Edison
 W.C.

Laboratory of
Thomas A. Edison
Menlo Park, N.J.

June 11

1878

The two Phonographs furnished this day
to me the said Nibbeling are to be
sent to the Australian Consulate
are to be exhibited in
and ~~to~~[^] no other Country.

John Nibbeling
Frank McLaughlin

Memo last June 11th 78

Article of agreement between
J. D. Edison & John Hickling Esq
Frank McLaughlin -

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Lanarkshire, June 12th 78.
Mr T. A. Edison,
My Dear Sir

Inferred from the
exhibitions of the Phonograph
held in various cities that
it is your purpose to secure
as wide an introduction as
possible for the marvel, I
write to ask if you have
made any arrangement
for Bombay, India, and
the neighboring parts?

If not, and you think favor-
ably of the experiment, I
should be pleased to give you
the address of a young man
who has been residing there
now for six years, since re-
ceiving a liberal education
in the U.S.

He is the son of a mission-

(of the A.B.C. 2m)
any to India and from a
boy has been acquainted
with the people and various
dialects of that land.

He can furnish the list
of references both from
gentlemen in mercantile
and literary circles.

Should you care to make
any movement in this
direction, I should be
pleased to Kuon your wishes.

I remain,

Yours very truly,

Wm Greenwood.

P.O. Box 8.

Wm Greenwood
21 W. 11th St.

HENRY PALMIERI

Office of

RONALD THOMAS.

The Palmo Sun Shade Company,
No. 239 Broadway,

Room 22.

Elevator No. 1 Park Place.

New York, June 12th 1878

Mr Edison

My dear Sir I take the liberty
of addressing you, as a brother inventor
one by no means as prominent and useful
as you but one who has done some serious
and who is being swindled like all
those who belong to the profession. To
be brief I would ask you whether
you can give me certain territory
for a time for introducing your
phonograph or other invention I
to pay you a royalty on my business
I am active and well qualified to
manage such an enterprise. The enclosed
circULAR will show you what I have
done already. Write your most convenient
reply. Remain Respectfully, Yrs H Palmieri.

P. D. I am familiar with the French
language having lived in Paris
some time I would be pleased
to represent you in certain
parts of Europe St Petersburg
for instance.

my family
H. Palmer

Repaid June 13 '76

HENRY PALMIERI

RONALD THOMAS

Office of
The Palmo Sun Shade Company,
No. 239 Broadway,
Room 22.

Elevator No. 1 Park Place.

New York,

June 14th 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esqr.

Manhattan Park.
N.Y.

My dear Sir

I am in receipt
of your favor of the 13th inst. Have
been in receipt of your manager. He
informs me that the West Indies are
alone to dispose of. I should like to
obtain the exclusive right to exhibit
the phonograph and telephone in the
West Indies and start the 1st of October
or Sept. If you will obtain that
right for me for one year I think
I can pay you a handsome royalty

Yours truly
H. Palmieri.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,

203 BROADWAY,

New York, Immer 189.T. A. Edison Esq. [?] Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir,

I made an arrangement last week by which, if I could shake off some parties to whom we had made half promises, I could give the entire West Indies, including if possible Brit. Guiana, to Mr. Palmieri. I promised to give him an answer on Saturday morning, but as I was absent in Washington, I postponed it till this morning, when I closed with him before your note arrived, for \$1000. royalty. He wants to unite the Musical Telephone with his exhibitions, and is extremely anxious to have a Telephone agency. Now, I understand that the Bell Telephone has been introduced in Cuba. That

shall I tell him about yours?

note about Mr. Kenzie also
received. I will see Mr. Mc Kenzie. tell
Whism about it.

Yours truly

James R. Path-

Gen. Manager.

Wm. Francis Ogden

Per letter book

and June 1878

R. H. Pratt

Ans^d June 20th 78
see letter book

Marshall Cluett, Jr. 18th 1878.
T. A. Edison, Esq.

My Dear Sir

Yours of 17th inst having
come to hand, I at once forward
the address of the party referred to
in my former communication, as
well as the subjoined reference.

The address of my brother-in-law
Henry Ballantine, Esq.,
Bpulla, Bombay, India.

For some years past he has been
engaged in introducing various
goods for Leachman & Kemp of
N. Y. City, Wholesale Druggists.

By application of them, you could
doubtless ascertain all that might
be desired of Mr. B's business ca-
pacity and integrity. Furthermore,

at your convenience, whenever it may be.

I remain

Yours sincerely

Wm Greenwood.

Hon. L. S. Ely, 26 N. 26th St.,
N. Y., has long known the entire
family. I add, as the name
of a third gentleman is a
different sphere, that of
Mrs. J. H. Seelye, Amherst, Mass.,
who has sustained literary and
business relations with our
friends in both this country, and
India when upon a visit there.

But I now feel assured that
Mr Ballantine would prove a
peculiarly valuable acquisition
to the circle of those engaged in
introducing one or more of your
inventions, and should not have
been at such pains to lay the
entire matter before you.

It would give me pleasure
to answer any other inquiries
that may arise. I should be
happy, at least, to learn your

Managers,
HILBROSE L. ARNHEIM,
CHARLES A. CLEVELAND,
P. O. Box 951

THE TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
32 TRIBUNE BUILDING,

New York, June 20th 1898

T. A. Edison, Esq.

Windsor Park N. J.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Francis Bellows, to whom you refer in your letter of June 19th, has already called on us in regard to the agency for the Phonograph in Mexico, but for the present nothing can be done with him as a proposition has been made to Mr. C. Leiter of Mexico through the house of Messrs. Frederick. Potat & Co. 61 Broad St and we will be at least 10 days before we can hear from him. The respectability and responsibility of Potat & Co is beyond question and should our proposition

be accepted we think it would be
in every way satisfactory to you -
and materially advantageous.

We will keep you posted
in this matter as well as any other
foreign business transaction.

Very truly Yours

Wm Porter &

for the Company

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, June 20th 1878

D. A. Edison, Esq.

Muldo Park N.Y.

Dear Sir,

I am writing this morning when I have been called upon by N. L. Narsis of No 7 Borrony N.Y. who desires to purchase a Phonograph to send to Turkey.

Please advise us how to act in this matter. We do not think the Patent Laws of Turkey are such as to make it advisable to go into any expense in that direction.

Very truly Yours
The E. I. & Co.
per H. H.

Received by Mr. Edison
June 20th 1878

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, June 22 1878

Mr Palmieri, Sir

Dear Sir—

In accordance with your request I herewith state the terms on which I am authorized to lease you the sole rights of exhibiting the Phonograph in the West India Islands, (including the Bahamas) and possibly British Guiana.

We will grant you a lease giving you said right from this date up to the 31st of March, 1879, for one thousand dollars—five hundred dollars to be paid before the close of this month and five hundred dollars when the machine ~~are~~ or machines are

Delivered to you for shipment. The machine or machines will be sent to you at the

lowest market price. Mr Edison will
tell you what that is.

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"Possibly British Guiana" means that
the right of exhibition in that
that country is to be conferred by Mr
Edison - which I presume he will do.

Your rights of exhibition will
be protected during the continuance of
your lease.

James Redpath
General Manager

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Edison - Melno park New Jersey.

Letter June 9 received - Exposite documents - Cable authority to take into account Counsel's opinion - This only and this certainly can enable putting public right and protecting patents - Forming International Company desirable including Continental patents - Can make strong Board this basis - Cable Puskas to confer with me immediately -

26 June 78.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, June 28 1878
Thomas A Edison, Esq,
Meadow Park. N.Y.

Dear Mr Edison:

I think I had better refer Mr Palmer
to you direct. You can get 25 per cent from
him. But he is an interrogative point
in respect to I can't answer all his questions.
- about protection, patents & the like

I am in communication with a man
who wants to buy phonographs for Turkey.
If he comes to town, shall I refer
him to you or shall I close sales
on behalf of the Edison Sp. Phon. Co?
As it is outside of my beneficent-pure
patron's own outside of Christian
influences, I think that you would
better handle the Turk yourself. Nothing
else seems to deal with Superstition
now, yours
J. P. R.

P.S. Enclosed Remittance from your contact
for the Wright Agency. I have sent West
on 257 accordingly.

Professor Edison
Menlo Park

New Jersey U. S. America

Garden Place,
Adelaide,

South Australia, June 29. 1878

Dear Sir

Since writing to you about two months ago we have completed arrangements with Professor Bell, & you will see by the enclosed clipping from a newspaper that we are now agents for that gentleman. Very likely, by the same mail as letter we shall send you a paper or papers containing notices of a phonograph made by myself. I have had some rare fun with it this evening with a few friends. I have succeeded in making it speak a little, & make a few peculiar kinds of calls & noises, but ~~not~~ distinct enough to please me, I find it very awkward having very little information to go upon, however, I am very pleased that I have the honour of being the first to make the phonograph speak on this side of the globe, as I was with the telephone. In the Philadelphia Record of March 15 we notice a long paragraph in regard to yourself & improvements on the telephone & also an instrument called the "aerophone" now if such is the case, will you kindly (for your own sake & ours too) send authority to patent the improvements in South Australia per return post, we hope you have already done so in regard to the phonograph. If you do please at the same time state (on a separate paper) the amount of Royalty you require also send full information as to operation, manufacture &c. as we are afraid that it will be to the interest of all parties concerned, to have

them manufactured in the Colony; at any rate it proves to be so in regard to Bell's Telephone. Please don't forget to send us what printed matter you can on the various instrument. Mr W. Churchill of 493 Greenwich at New York is our American agent; his private residence is in New York City.

Please don't think Australia beneath your notice in regard to your instruments &c. for we are a pushing & growing nation. Another thing — If you decide to transfer your patents to us kindly try & make yourself believe that you have honest men to deal with, for after all, no matter what agreements we make together you will be to a great extent at our mercy, but you find ultimately that any confidence you may have had in us will not have been misplaced.

Yours faithfully
A. W. Doblie

Saturday the July 6/93 As I expected I am now able to enclose you alphas containing accounts of my phonographic experiments also newspapers with ditto per same post.

Please don't fail to send us full particulars as to how to construct your improved telephone &c. in fact you might also send us a telephone per post direct or through Mr Churchill of 493 Greenwich at New York. Yours faithfully A. W. Doblie

P. S. If you are quite satisfied that we are honest & capable possibly it might perhaps suit you to send us a "power of attorney" so that whatever might crop up we would be in a position to protect your interests; we simply mention it but we don't by any means press but we hope for the sake of yourself & us you will do something at once. Our full names are
Alexander Williamson Doblie
James Williamson Doblie

A. W. D.



PUBLIC NOTICE.

PROFESSOR GRAHAM BELL,

THE INVENTOR OF THE TELEPHONE,
having ASSIGNED his PATENT RIGHTS for
SOUTH AUSTRALIA to Messrs. A. & J. DOBBIE,
of Adelaide, all PERSONS in that Colony having
telephones in their POSSESSION whether made by themselves or otherwise (Adelaide) are
especially requested to FORWARD THEM to the Underigned for the purpose of REGISTRATION
AND MARKING before July 25, 1898.

A. & J. DOBBIE, Gawler-place, Adelaide.

In connection with the above, we beg to call the attention of the Public to Section 30 of
"The Patent Act, 1874" which gives us the "SOLE RIGHT OF MAKING, USING, EX-
PORTING, and VENDING TELEPHONES" so that persons using Telephones not having been
previously stamped and authorized by us render themselves liable to Prosecution for Damages.
TELEPHONES AND CONNECTING WIRES NOW ON SALE.

Persons wishing to have their HOMES, WORKSHOPS, or OFFICES FITTED UP WITH
TELEPHONES will kindly communicate with

A. & J. DOBBIE,
Machinists, Brassfounders, Electroplaters, &c.,
GAWLER-PLACE, ADELAIDE.

178thover

MEMORANDUM.



FROM
A. & J. DOBBIE,
ADELAIDE
SEWING MACHINE
AND
American Tools Depot,
GAWLER PLACE,
ADELAIDE.

To

(RECEIVED) 29 1878

Mr Edison

Dear Sir We herewith send you press copy
of our letter to Mr W Churchill 493 Greenwich
St New York so as to make sure
of either the original or the copy reaching you safely
& quickly
Yours in haste
A. J. D.

Please send reply to me at 493 Greenwich St
unless you have the original & then send reply
Truly yours W Churchill

Express Note D 78 Phon.
To L.R. Colburn Esq. From Geo. E. Lorrain
Newark N.J. New Jersey. 6 Lombard St. London E.C.

Phon.
Am just rec^d from G.E. Lorrain
him to say OK. & add that
got well acquainted with Puck
who wants me to act for him at
Phonograph Co. England and has
made an agreement to give
me 1/4 of his share^{of} from Exhibition
of Phon. if I will consent to
making nothing else - I must
have also power from you before
I can act with proper discretion

Express Note 2
To L.R. Colburn Esq. From Geo. E. Lorrain
Newark N.J. New Jersey. 6 Lombard St. London E.C.
+ effort to plan for it among
also say if you will also give
me same share of gen. proportion
of 1/4 of it? That fair as we
may get nothing but I think
I can manage him.
That is if Exhibition fails.
only - Don't lose any time.
GEL

F 105 pages

New Cylinder
Can furnish for
this store for
rent - 10¢ per
hr. (N.Y.C.)

Professor T. A. Edison

Respected Sir:

Will you be kind enough, to send at once
to our address: one "Phonograph" of your
invention.

This instrument is destined, to go to Japan,
and has to be shipped next Saturday.

We are since years with prominent Institutions
of Japan in very intimate business relations,
and hope that your instrument will induce
the people there, to send in orders to you.
Hoping that you will allow us your best
discount, we remain

very respectfully yours,
New York July 10th 78. W. H. Bond & Co. Schenck
17 Bond. N.Y.C.

He called
at 7, I. 1878

Manfield to I July 13th 1878.

Professor Edison

My dear Sir

Pardon the liberty I take in addressing you by letter, but my apology must be, that I feel that I am already somewhat acquainted with you having heard my brother F. W. Jones speak so often about you prior to his departure to Rio de Janeiro - he was very anxious that I should accompany him, and aid him in the matter of putting before the Brazilians of our Phonographs, it was impossible at that time for me to leave my family and certain business that I had to attend to here, but having now completed all my engagements here, "I intend leaving by the steamer City of Paris" and will meet my brother Fred in Rio de Janeiro. Dr. Volante

I wish to ask a favor of you
Can I be of any service to you
or to Frederate, as well, by
taking out with me anything
new you may ~~have~~ ^{here} invented
that will be of interest to the
Brazilians, Fred informed me
that you intended making
some improvements on the Phono-
graph, and that it would soon
be perfected. My idea in going
to Rio is to try to obtain
some employment and to try
and procure in a measure some
money, for I have been very
unfortunate in my Real Estate
speculations, so that it has well
nigh beggared me, but still
I have courage and although
it will be a severe trial for
me to leave my wife & children
I must shoulder the cross, and
trust in the ruler of all good
for his guidance under my
misfortune. I did not wish to
trespass on your valuable

time until I had written you
so in case you would like to
see me. I can only say that I
would be most happy to meet
you and perhaps you can
suggest something that may
be advantageous to both yourself
& Fred and will be of advantage
to myself. Can I ^{in fact} ~~possibly~~ ^{possibly} have of
you any machine that you
may consider will be of interest
to the people in Rio, or know
anything in my way by which
I can make some money or
that I can work for the mutual
interest of myself, Fred & myself.
You will find that I will
do everything in my power &
work like a beaver for you
if it will be convenient & you
would like to see me please
drop me a line, when I can
have an interview with you
I am ever
as soon as possible }
Please write me. }
Respectfully
John P. Jones

London July 15th 1878.

My Dear Mr Edison:

After ventilating the prospects of making our trip successful I have come to the conclusion that further expense would avail nothing at the present time in bringing the enterprise to a profitable issue. The instruments used by the Polytechnic Association are considered here as more complete than those we brought over and no encouragement has been given leading rather to the hope of disposing of the rights for Australasia.

I therefore resolved itself into whether the exhibition of the Phon in Australia would of itself be sufficiently tempting for Mr Dr Laughlin to travel to the other side of the world. He thinks not, so do I. Mr Roberts

offer no encouragement, either in the way of buying, or of other Mr Laughlin being able to make sufficient to divide amongst three persons. We have had no advice from you, nor any assignments from Mr Serrell. The patents were only just forwarded from London two weeks before our arrival, so that in any event the prime object of our journey here could not be carried out even supposing a negotiation could be effected. I am perfectly willing to put the necessary money in; but I apprehend you would not recommend a further outlay unless there were reasonable grounds of success. We have therefore, after fully considering the

matter in all its bearings, ~~have~~ mutually determined to return to New York where Mr Mc Laughlin can at least have the prospect of making a living and if this still failed desirable he can proceed to Australia by San Francisco. When you have the further details explained to you I have no doubt you will fully coincide with our views, altho it has been a great disappointment to both of us. We have evidently labored under a misapprehension, for there is very little interest exhibited here towards the Phonos in comparison to other things; the exhibition at the Crystal Palace being very sparsely attended. My relations with M L

have been such as to foster a
very friendly feeling between
us and which I have no
doubt will be renewed on our
return to New York. I will call
upon you when I get back &
trust we shall do better next
time. With a view of adhering
strictly to the agreement between
you and ourselves we have not
attempted to give any agencies
for Australia, as that course
might not meet your approval
With kind regards

I am Yours

Very Sincerely

John H. Kellogg

John H. Kellogg
London July 15 1896

Copy sent
J.H.K.
July 28 1896

Rio de Janeiro

23rd June 1878

Thos. W. Edlin Esq

Heald Park

New Jersey

My dear Sir,

I am glad to
say, arrived here & met a
fine time to Mr. Oliver stating
that I had filed your application
for the privilege of inserting
advertising and reading in the
Indian the Photograph. the
required documents were duly
prepared, translated and are
now in their course through
the various departments of
the Govt. and will be forwarded

he finally agreed to the tho't
just when I cannot now
say as everything moves
very slowly here.

I expect to have to repeat
that your agents in Paris
do not hesitate in passing
of the Phinograph and then
to be reported for the sum of
200 francs each.

Some five or six have been
received in this city and
the parties importing them
have given the great annoyance
in the "Stere larin" in their
effort to defeat my application
for other parties by the
name of J. Rodde spring.

a hat on me in exhibiting his
at one of the Public Schools -
the Professor attending the Confer-
= tence. The Phinograph in his
view the next day - is a model
of your first model in and
praise given by those decidedly
better than either of them I
thought told me. I had had
a partial understanding with
Mr. Rodde that his Phinograph
should not be exhibited but he
never told until the arrival of
the "City of New York" in
the hope that your improved
Machine was to be used & that
you would come to some
agreement understanding as to
the future, but he went back
on me and brought his out

as above stated. The first notice I had being the announcement in the Journals. I took advice and found I could not interfere till my papers were issued. I deeply regret this as it takes the freshness off the thing so far as I am concerned. The exhibition was free and was well attended the papers speaking favorably, he at the same time exhibited the telephone and microphone. What he proposes doing hereafter or the others who have machines I cannot say, but am on the qui-vin and will go for them as soon as I am in a position to do so lawfully my presence being necessary I have appointed Jaime C. B. & F. L. of Buenos Ayres attorneys to get the patents there. You will learn that they are perhaps the leading house there and will act intelligently in the premises. If I had good machines money could be made from exhibition and no doubt sales hereafter. This also applies to your Telephone. There is a first rate man here, ^(Gondringian) who understands all about them. He has set them up in the States and is now employed here. I shall secure him. With regards to Mr. Chivers and hoping to write more encouragingly next time
Yours Truly
Fred W. Jones

Prof. T. A. Edison :
Menlo Park,
N.J.

My dear Sir:

Please send at once the Phonograph
which you promised to have ready for
last Saturday.

This Phonograph is intended to go to Japan
and has to be shipped together with
other instruments next Monday.

We hope, that you will allow us a
good discount because we cannot
exceed the price, which you state
to the public.

I am, dear Sir,

Very respectfully,
W. S. Rohrer

14 Bond St.
N.Y.

Cloud July 22/78

Beaumont 1. 36. 18.

My Sir!

Whether it may be a greater glory for you, when the great of earth and the most esteemed among learned bring you their homage, it ought to make a pleasant impression on your heart, when also the youth is filled with the greatest respect and enthusiasm for you. Therefore we - four hundred scholars of a college - permit us to congratulate you on your new invention. At the same time we take the liberty to request you with the request, to communicate us if you would be disposed to, send us a Paragraph and what would be the price of it? We have, without the knowledge of our teachers determined, to increase the reputation and the renown of our college, in giving it your famous invention.

Confiding in your goodness, we hope not to have labored in vain and expect in the short

best time, if you please a satisfactory answer.
You stopping still the animation of the greatest respect of

The four hundred scholars of the college at
Bruckau in High-Silesia

Please to direct the answer to:

Gustav Tsch
p. ad. m. Schindelyk

Bruckau, High-Silesia
via Berlin, Breslau.

of rehm com

5 Place de la Sorbonne
Paris 5. August 1878.

Sir,

would gladly do it but
cant as I have contracted with others
and its contrary to coal in Paris

As Professor of
Physics to the University
of Athens, I take the
liberty of begging you
to kindly give your
favorable consideration
to the following demand
which has for its object
to procure a great benefit
for the University of Athens,
and at the same time,
for the Greek nation.

The funds of
which the Greek University
founded some ten years
ago, and disposed, are
too limited to enable it to
spend a large sum of
money in order to procure

your universally known
Phonographs.

Having heard at the
time of the Greek Revolution
of the great help the American
Nation afforded to Greece,
I am thus inclined to
believe that it would prove
an incalculable benefit,
if you would decide to
endow the Greek University
with a Phonograph of
large dimensions and producing
a) audible acoustic effect
at a considerable distance.

I can offer you no
other advantage, from your
act of generosity than the
feeling of knowing that
you had done a good
action to a feeble nation
who would fully appreciate
your kind act.

In the event of

your acceding to my
request I would engrave
in the Greek language
with your Phonograph
before the Royal Family,
the Ministers of the Government,
and before the Public, and
make known by the news-
papers and every other
source of intercourse the
precious gift that you
had kindly made to the
Athenian University, who
would inscribe your name
in Greek on the instruments
so that the future rising
generations might bear
of your generosity.

Trusting that you
will deem fit to accord me
this favour I have the honour
to subscribe myself

Sr.
Your obedient and
humble servant
J. S. Stroumbo.

A. LAGRANGE Y MNO.
MONTEREY.

Monterey (New York) August 8th /98

Mr. Thomas A. Edison

Sir,

Your astonishing invention, the Phonograph and the telephone, is highly praised by the whole monition news papers, are only giving ^{and} the very incomplete description given of these two apparatus in said publications.

Every body who has heard of them is anxious to be present at their wonderful performance and it is now probable that any intelligent man who should undertake their exhibition in all the principal towns of this country would make some money.

This enterprise could be still more profitable to him if he was appointed your agent for the Northern Republics, are exhibition being the best way of advertising these instruments. We believe that a great many telephones can be sold in this country, where the telegraphic lines are few and where the men able to take charge of a telegraph office.

These considerations suggest, as the idea of purchasing from you a good phonograph with all the latest improvements and with a large supply of phonograph plates, one pair of telephones for short distance and another

for long time, to select from your the printing
of an agency in Mexico, giving to you good
references and, if such sufficiently suitable, will
and order his arrangement, to ask you all the neces-
sary instructions. I for to (or) arrangement
of such apparatus, if you is not consider with
event these publications Scientific Commission
Supplement Nos 120 & 125.

Please let us know if you agree to our
suggestion of being your agents in Mexico
for the sale of photographs and telephones
and the price of these and accessories.

Mrs. M. Cameron & Co. So. Beach Street
New York can give you information about
our character and, value etc.

We hope of an answer, and that you
will be indulgent for the improper mistake
of foreigners, we are respectfully, yours

J. Lagrange & Brothers

Please direct your letter to
Sr. Don Jose San Ramon
Brownsville

(Texas)

to be sent to J. Lagrange & Co.
Montreal

Ans 24th 78

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, Aug 24 1888.
J. R. Griffin Esq.
Meado Park N.Y.

Dear Mr Griffin,

Do you, or does Mr Edison, know that we have sold a 'Phonog' for Constantinople?

It goes to the Roberts (American) College.

Now, if this young man of whom you write is going there, it will put Mr. Edison in rather a bad light to give him a 'Phonograph', and compel the College to pay for one.

I don't think, therefore, that I will give that young man, who has "an imperfect knowledge of the English language," any encouragement

to give exhibitions among the Yankees.

Yours truly

Jas Reddick

Gen Manager.

P.S. Have seen the
Cass. Isnt he a Christian?
Isnt he a Mephisto? Or
so, ^{do} you not blush in consenting
to degrade the Photograph
to the rank - the low
rank - of a Mephisto
Illustration? I must
send out more of my good
pamphlets to you folks.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 14 1878

James Redpath Esq
NY
Dear Sir -

Yours of the 12th was
duly read. I don't think Mr
Edison or anyone here knew the
phone Co had sold an inst to go
to Constantinople. My impression is
that Mr Ex phone rights in foreign
Cos are valueless if the phone Co are
going to pend insts wherever they
choose and I think he will take
this view of it

SLG

P. O. Box 5929.

The Edison Speaking Phonograph Company,
203 BROADWAY.

New York, Aug 15 1878

Dear Mr. Griffin:-

Got a good thing on you, you blunder.
Phonograph Co. for selling a machine to go
to Constantinople - you confess you sold a
machine here. How easy!

I fear that Christian youth some
times. But it does grace the soul
to the consent to have the Virgin
Phono prohibited to the uses of Christ.
Lately - from a man & scene to
become a scavenger of Jesus. Let
us hope that the Turks will capture
the machines & that they will be
brought to light - There is no god
- no god & Mahomet we scoff at!
Brought to light! Yours truly

H.R.

W. Churchill,

493 Greenwich Street,

New York, August 22^d 1876

Mr Professor Edison

Sir

I have a copy
of letter from My Friends in Aus-
tralia which I inclose to you -
Will you please let me have an
answer as to what you will do
in the matter -

I think the Major Dobbies
are reliable & Honest Men & will
act for you as well as their own
interest -

Respectfully Yours

Willis Churchill

I notice they speak of your sending
a Schaff Phonograph to them if you
do that it must come to me & I
should pay for it

W.C.

Shoerickill, New Highland
Sept 10th 1878
~~Dr. L. L. L.~~
Mead Park N.Y.

In answer to yours
of June 30th 1878. I herewith
enclose you a draft for \$25. which
will make about 100 dollars ~~less~~
less about 2 dollars probably for
discount. Any New York Banking
house will cash it. You must
use that pair of phonograph (Cylinder
machine) with 75 lbs. ten feet, would
be 110 dollars; you can make up to
the amount with some extra feet
or some things, but would not
have a few "mimicries" of Mrs. Lincoln's
own voice, also of some music, singing
or of something ludicrous or laughable
for variety sake. Be so very
kind and address legibly, and keep this

You will please to find out
and sent the package by any
vessel bound for Port ~~Chalmers~~
Chalmers from New York. Vessels
also come from Boston for same place.
I have been doing some business
with the Abendroth and Root
Manufacturing Co. Greenpoint
~~Brooklyn~~ Brooklyn. For New York tell
you may make enquiries from
them if necessary, and they no
doubt would give you information.
If there is no vessel on the berth for
Port Chalmers (120 miles from the
place) then it may be shipped by
any vessel bound for Melbourne
from whence it may be transhipped
to Bluff. Invercargill by
the intercolonial steamer, freight
payable at destination.
A. T. Sides. Boston are represented

of the firm of Bates Sice & Co
Dunedin (Port Chalmers)
There is also a firm at New York
with the name of Sice Sice in it
which you may find out perhaps
from a directory. You will therefore
find out from three quarters as to
the earliest vessel or berth. Send
instructions how to use machine.
Also circulars of anything in the
photography or lithography line

Has Mr Edison ever given his
attention to the falling of trees and
prescutting of logs. By means of
a wire (platinum probably is best)
made incandescent by means of a
Calland machine. Or other means
a machine of this kind is much wanted.
The machine would require to be so
made as to draw the wire, after it
has been placed around the tree or log,

into it in the same manner
as when a person cuts a bar of ^{gold} ~~gold~~
with a string - the current of
electricity passing around the wire
and making it incandescent the
wire while so it practicable.
The incandescent wire to cut through
the wood by burning. Could you
be kind enough to confer with me on
this subject by letter or otherwise.
There is money in such an invention
if it is practicable.

Yours truly
J. E. Richter



George H. Dunedin.
New Zealand.
September 10. 1878.

My Dear Sir,
Gentlemen.



I am desirous of purchasing
a Phonograph - of latest improved make -
and cannot get such a thing in this part
of the world - I notice them advertised to
in the "Scientific American" - as purchasable
in New York - but no maker's name is
mentioned as being ready to supply them -

I presume that you know some
Manufacturer who has them in stock - and
I shall be much obliged if you will be
good enough to order one for me - it can
be easily forwarded via "California" in
the S.F. that brings the mail - packed

of course carefully, —

As to payment. I will send
a Bank Draft soon as I get the acct.
indeed I would have enclosed one herein
but have no idea of its probable cost.
if the maker is in any doubt as to the safety
of his money — he can send me the invoice
first, and I will then remit. but as I
should like the instrument soon as possible
I should prefer that he sent it at once

Yours At. Servt
Abraham Solomon.

336, W. 19th St.,
New York Sept. 10-78
W. Edison
Munroe Park
N. Y.

Sir
Your Telephones are
already in use in the
Bahamas

I have been requested
by parties there to obtain the
price of your Photograph
Your prompt reply

Will much oblige
Yours

Wm. J. Howell

P.S. The Monthly Steamer Sails from
here Saturday for Nassau

My exp. 05/78
Alex J. Howell
330 West 19th St.
NY

Receipt
Receipt that would allow
phone for Bahamas for
\$110. includes the toll
charging me

Address: No 10 Hauptstrasse Ludwigshafen Rhein
Germany

2 Sept. 14 1888

Prof. T. A. Edison

My dear Sir,

I must confess that it is not without some misgivings as to the timeliness or acceptability of the step, that I have concluded to approach you in writing. With the nature of the case upon which I am about to address you is of such a pressing kind, that it could not well be presented through any other medium, and this then is the only apology for intruding upon you.

I have been in Germany since Nov. 1876 trying to establish myself and making my living as a teacher of English pronunciation. The effort proved a fearfully hard one and I had plenty of leisure time to cogitate upon the modes of carrying my load and supporting my family. When I first read of your wonderful Phonograph I at once fancied I saw in that

attending insertion a pure realization
of all my most ardent hopes. I gathered
all the data obtainable from my
American papers and on February
last held the first "reading" before
a select audience of intelligent gen-
tlemen in Edison and his Phonograph
Hall, was over held in the German
language. This reading was twice
repeated before larger audiences in
March and April. From the time
that I conceived the idea of lecturing
on your inventions, I also bestowed
myself to secure if possible an agency
for their sale in this country and to
that end, wrote to you on March 2^d
through my son at Harrisburg Pa
asking for such agency, or for an
appasalus, if an agency could not be
secured. I have since regretted that
I did not address you direct for I feel
sure now, that you had you known
my situation and my adaptability,
would have entertained a proposition

from which great mutual advantage must
have sprung. While awaiting reply from
you through my son, I had made up my
mind through a cousin at Paris and learned
from him that you had an agent for
Europe named Deshayes. To this gentle-
man I at once applied by letter. He
gave me an encouraging reply which led
me to undertake a trip to that city although
he could hardly afford it on account of
my limited means. I travelled cheap
and class and left with friends there,
namely Mr. Pichon and was most won-
derful. Phonograph but was obliged to
leave again a little disappointed and
a considerably poorer man for his ex-
pense was that he could not give me
either agency nor appasalus for
Germany before it was patented at
Paris so that that as soon as that
was secured he would "have me in
mind" and see that I got put in a
way to earn a living for my dear fam-
ily, who are still at home in Har-
rington. I waited a few weeks when most

moving from him I wrote to him asking
for a clockwork instrument (of course
expecting to pay for it.) He replied that
he had none finished and besides, that
he first wished to go to Berlin himself.
Before he did send one - I waited a
while longer, ever becoming more intensely
excited on the subject owing to the fact
that a man named Fuhrmann a
Berlin German Jew was coming
to Manchester where I had just
lectured on your invention with a
Photograph machine Edison - in plain
English with an apparatus patterned
after Gauss, get which he was trying
to palm off as yours - I at once
wrote to Parkes stating this fact
and begging him as a fellow country
man and American to put me in
the way of rebutting this pretended
inventions experiments by putting me
in immediate possession of one of
your improved instruments. His
answer was that he was going to
Berlin with the Clockwork Photograph

No 2
and could not let me have one but
that as I seemed to be very anxious to
commence "operations" he would send
me one of the small ones (a very small
one indeed) to begin with - Now what
was I to do? I was determined to disclose
the minds of the German people by doing
the difference between the counterfeit com-
mon shown by Fuhrmann as Edison's
Photo and the genuine one made by
Hartley at Paris. So I ordered one
from Parkes. Often however it was
a short time I once more wrote to Mr.
Parkes reminding him of his promise
in the hopes held out for a larger
apparatus. He replied that about the
end of "next week" he was going to Berlin
with one of the Clockwork Photos and
that I should then hear from him.
You may imagine my dear Sir, that
by this time I was much about, apparently
worked up with fear hope, mystery
and speculation for the future, for he it

Remember that at least half a dozen or perhaps a dozen near ^{to} him ^{of} them were already ⁱⁿ ^{the} ^{land} ^{country}, and I felt the ground giving way under me and began to think that all my hopes were frustrated in this direction. In this state of mind I wrote one last appeal to Mr. D. begging him to be candid and tell me whether or not there was any hope for my coming in person of one of your last ⁱⁿ ^{person}. His reply came yesterday and has I think forever settled the negotiation between him and I on this to me vital question and this Mr. Eliot, to my reason too, for annoying you with his rambling and lengthy epistle. I find that his conditions are altogether too exacting for me to comply with them however much I desire in my heart to have your great inclination to show to the people of this country whose language I speak as fluently as my own and among whom I have spent about 6 years

of my life 3 of which as Mr. D. would like conditions are (and he knows that I am from) 1000 francs cash in hand - 1000 francs guaranteed and (one) 1000 francs per month in advance for hire of clock-work apparatus and finally that he cannot give me the exclusive right for Jamaica - Now this was preposterous, since I have done all my power to lay down the principles of invention and delivery ^{of} ^{the} ^{invention} on Edison's invention. - The worst feature of it is that he demands what is next to an impossibility from me first in cash and second in ^{guarantee} ^{of} ^{the} ^{invention} who will go laid here for a stranger?

I have wife and children the two groups of whom I love as intensely as you can possibly love your dear little "Dot" and "Dorothy" I would be ready to be every sacrifice for their sakes further, and very dear to me but I cannot accomplish an impossibility. - I am poor, I lost my all (except my fingers and your hand)

in your ~~unfortunate~~ newspaper columns at
Lancaster Pa. anything which you
may desire to know in regard to my
character for honesty and reliability. You
are at liberty to procure from any of my
acquaintances there, either the P. Mar-
tin or Major or any friends included.
I only desire to ~~say~~ ^{say} something by
which I may ~~clear myself~~ ^{clear myself} to my
family. I am willing to work but
I have not the money to comply with your
impossible foreign agents demands!
I feel very distressed to see all my
hopes thus crushed. I come to you there-
fore and appeal to you to intercede in
my behalf. You know what it is to be
poor! I do not beg, Oh no! I only
beg you to aid me to get terms or that
I can make a living for my dear ones
who are now in need and want
the means to clothe and feed them during
the coming winter. Time is very precious
every day costs us money, look at me, I am so
poor that I am almost dead if you are kindly disposed.

ON 8.

One kind word from you to your agent will
make my future look bright and hopeful
Your indifference to my humble appeal
will bring my dispondency. Your intercession
in my behalf will bring joy to my poor
family. Your passing it by may bring
despair - I have no more to say except
to beg your pardon for thus troubling
you and finally asking you to take
my case into your alacms and my friends
into favorable consideration and if you
can conclude to give me your special
attention to do so by return of mail
to your agents at Paris, for unless I
know what my fate is to be within 30
days, I shall be obliged to return home
to America, lest my means grow out.
Not without hope for the kind acts
which your generous heart may prompt
in my behalf I am

Your fellow countryman

J. A. Prosser

Family of Lancaster Pa. near so above address

To Springer
Philadelphia
Sept 20 1878

Ans Sept 25 1878

My reference in Philadelphia
to J. J. Water
10th & Lombard Sts.

~~Handwritten scribble~~

JOHN HICKLING,
Banker and Broker,

No. 62 BROADWAY.

ALSO AT
21 NEW STREET,
OPPOSITE THE OLD CHURCH.

New York, Sept 16th 1878.

Dear Mr Edison

Having returned unsuccessful with the two Phonograph machines I write to ask if you can make use of same or if you can dispose of them at some price. The two boxes of foil which has been so troublesome is also on my hands, they all remain in care of Mr. C. Laughlin Electric Pen Office 267 Broadway N.Y. I hope you will be able to take them off my hands. Make me a bid for the whole amount. One box of foil has not been opened, the other has had about 9 pounds taken out.

I presume you received a letter from me some time ago explaining the reason for abandoning the Australian enterprise

Waiting your reply

I am

Very Truly
John Hickling

Ministère
de l'Agriculture, du Commerce

CABINET
DU
MINISTRE

N^o 10222

679

Paris, le 20. Septembre 1871

Monsieur,

J'ai reçu la lettre que vous avez bien voulu m'adresser, et par laquelle vous m'annoncez votre désir de contribuer au succès de la Société Nationale par l'offre d'un Phonographe.

Je me suis empressé de faire part avec toute l'attention et l'organisation de votre généreuse initiative et je me joins à lui pour vous exprimer nos vifs remerciements. Veuillez agréer, Monsieur, l'assurance de ma considération la plus distinguée.

Le Ministre
de l'Agriculture et du Commerce

Le Baron de Böttger

Monsieur Edison

Ch. H. H. H.

Paris Sept 20, '78

My Book

Regarding small
photo which Puskas
has given him —

Statement of Profits in the Exhibition of the Phonograph in France 1878

<i>between the 23^d April and 23^d September</i>		<i>Net Profits</i>	
	<i>Total Profits</i>	<i>Share of Interest</i>	
<i>1, at the "Pavil. des Papiniers"</i>		<i>M. Thos. Pustas</i>	
<i>Paris</i>			
<i>from 23^d April to 31 July</i>	20928 90	13591 65	
<i>from 1 Aug. to 31 Aug.</i>	7366 70	3993 20	
<i>from 1 Sept. to 22 Sept.</i>	6500	3047 70	
<i>(approximate)</i>			
<i>2, in the Provinces</i>			
<i>until the day</i>			
<i>a) through M. Th. Boust</i>	600	450	
<i>b) through M. Le Danois</i>	2000	1500	
	<i>37395 60</i>	<i>22582 55</i>	
<i>deduct:</i>			
<i>Loss in the Provinces</i>			
<i>from 11 May to 26 May</i>	1220 20	610 10	
<i>Balance of Net Profits</i>	<i>36175 40</i>	<i>21972 45</i>	
<i>from 23 April to 23 Sept.</i>			
	<i>Total Profits</i>	<i>Share of Interest</i>	

Paris 23^d September 1878

Exo. E.

Cornelius Roosevelt

Leipzig,
Lithersplate 5
Sept. 30. 78.

Mr. J. A. Edison
Munlo Park
New Jersey N. H.
America.

Dear Sir,

On this side of the Ocean there
has been much speaking these years
about your inventions concerning
the use of electricity for the optic &
acoustic communication of human
thought & over shorter or greater distances,
particularly about your phonographs,
& there is a great deal of curiosity
here to hear further particulars of
them. As I am preparing lectures
on the physiology of voice to be read
at this university in the course of the
following year I should feel
much obliged by your kindly
sending me such papers as you
published about your inventions
and joining a price-list of your
apparatus.

Believe me, dear Sir,
truly yours,

Dr. F. Techmer.

11/2
Rio de Janeiro, Oct. 5th 1892

Thomas A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park
New Jersey

Dear Sir:

I write simply to advise you that I expect to leave on the 6th inst. for home, with the Patent for both this Country and the Argentine Republic in my possession. This business has been delayed and has cost me much trouble and expense more than I had any idea of. I hope you have perfected the Phonograph for then something may be done to recompense for all this. But the Machine as I brought it here would not draw any spectators. After the exhibition by the party who imported one from France, all the Dona Pedro public school has abandoned for exhibition. Next at his shop but even there very few went to see it - they are not a curious people - I hope also on my return to be able to make some arrangement with you for your Edison &c. with regard to the Edison

I am

Yours truly
John A. Jones



223 South William Street
New York 21 October 1878

J. A. Edwards
New York
N.Y.

Yours of this date received.

We expect to have a vessel
in berth for Port Chalmers N.Y.
within a fortnight - when
ready to receive you will be
a treat.

Port Chalmers is the
port of Dunedin in the Province
of Otago - & distant about ten
miles - the latter being
inland & not accessible to vessels
hence they go on & the same
place - Chocomaqui is in the
Province of Southland about three
hundred miles from Port Chalmers
with the great Commonwealth
Respectfully Yours, R. W. Cameron

THE EDISON ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.,
3 BROAD STREET.

NEW YORK, N.Y.
R. N. GALLAGHER, V. PRES.
R. D. FARMER, TREAS.
C. GREENMAN, SECY.

New York,

November 3rd 1878

Thos A Edison Esq
Menlo Park
My dear Sir

I have had the
enclosed letter in Russian
translated & send you the
original with the English
version.

The newspaper article
gives a long account of the
photograph with a personal
account of its inventor.
Couched in most complimen-
tary phrases. As it has
no bearing upon Electric
Light matters, at Mr. Denby's
suggestion, I return it to you.

Very truly yours
C. Greenman Secy

My Nov 13. 78.
C. G. Dodd

Relates to translation
of a Russian letter
about phone

Letter & translation
sent to Puskas



23 South William Street
New York 30th Nov 1878

J. A. Edison Esq
Monte Park

N. J.

Dear Sir

Your favor of yesterday's date
is to hand.

We are now loading Boston
"J. R. Lyman" & Charles Tobes' for
Sweden N. J. and if you will send
on four ship manifests to our care,
we will see to their going on board
vessel. Send you B/L. Please
ship them at once, send us Railroad
receipt with particulars of goods.
On looking over our books we find we
had ship cards of the vessels above
named for you at the time they were
shipped.

Yours faithfully
R. W. Cameron

OFFICE OF THE
PIONEER LINE
FOR
Australia, New Zealand and the East,
23 SOUTH WILLIAM STREET.

New York, November 25th, 1878.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

FOR MELBOURNE, DIRECT.

"A MINTA,"

Dispatch, December 28th.

FOR SYDNEY, DIRECT.

"PRINCESS LOUISE,"

Prompt Dispatch.

FOR DUNEDIN, N. Z., DIRECT.

"S. R. LYMAN,"

Dispatch, December 7th.

"CHARLES FOBES,"

Dispatch, December 28th.

For LYTTLETON and WELLINGTON, N. Z.,

"ISAAC HALL,"

Dispatch, December 14th.

FOR ADELAIDE, S. A., DIRECT.

"CLIPPER SHIP,"

Dispatch, January 10th.

LOADING BERTH, PIER 9, EAST RIVER.

These vessels will be dispatched on or around dates given for the respective Ports.

R. W. CAMERON & CO.

[COPY FOLLOWS]

London Dec 1. 78
Prof Barrett

I would have bought the small
French pattern, - like your
American one, but the Phonograph
Company refused. If it is
possible or legal for you to send
me one or portable phonograph
suitable for lectures I shall be
greatly obliged & will pay all
expenses. If you could
send even a complete
experiment of your invention
it would be very desirable as they
might subsequently be permanently

understand French & can this
way send for the
to all your
letters how long they
your must be. I will
then is more difficult
you must
Dec 1. 1878
Barrett
I am anxious to
lecture at some of the leading
institutions in this country & a

[COPY FOLLOWS]

If you should
send any thing
please send
them to
Charles Jones
6 Lombard St.

Dec 30. Jan 3. 1880

Mr. Edison & his assistant

"invention the phonograph

"can be telephone, terrestrial

"is probably started by him."

Look send you the printed
announcement.

The Stereoscopic Company
has as yet supplied no phonographs
Mr. Sullivan and things I have

long since ordered me, I fear
there is little chance of me
being ready for my use.
I wonder you has taken care
that price sent to a friend
of mine, which will show
that they are trying to secure
the exhibition at high rates
as long as possible & have no
doubt then what can be
sell the instruments.

Copy

Dublin Decr. 1878

My Dear Sir

There is some difficulty in my getting a
 phonograph to illustrate your discovery in my
 lectures. I am announced to lecture
 at some of the leading institutions in this country on
 New & Gang 3^d & 4th on Mr Edison's recent invention
 the phonograph. Carbon telephone transmitters &
 possibly his method of electric lighting. I will send you
 the printed announcements.

The Stereoscopic Company have
 as yet supplied no phones to the public and though I have
 long since ordered one I fear there is little chance
 of one being ready for my use. I enclose you
 two letters from that firm sent to a friend of mine
 which will show that they are trying to secure the
 exhibition at high rates as long as possible and hence
 no doubt, their reluctance to sell the instrument.
 I would have bought the small French pattern like your American one
 but the Stereoscopic Company objected. If it is possible or legal for you to
 send me over a portable phone suitable for lectures I shall be
 greatly obliged & will pay all expenses. As if you could send over a complete
 equipment of your invention it would be very desirable as they might subsequently
 be permanently exhibited in London under your name & care. This however
 is asking too much for the present. Thanks for all your letters. How
 very busy you must be. Further news shortly.

Yours W F Barrett

If you send anything send care of
 Colford Road & Fulham St B

[ENCLOSURE]



PRIZE MEDAL FOR PORTRAITURE, VIENNA, 1823.
PRIZE MEDALS,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BERLIN & DUBLIN,
PHOTOGRAPHED TO H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES,
AND TO H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

The London Stereoscopic & Photographic Company,
110, 108 & 106, REGENT STREET.

AND AT
SALISBURY.

Please see letter enclosed

London Oct 18 1878
Dear Sir, In reply to your
favor the price of the
first photograph will
be £1.10 & we hope
to be able to supply
them in about three
weeks, but for private
use only.

Yours faithfully
W. & A. G. & Co.

M. W. C. J. Laddin
per 18
L. J. Laddin
for J. Laddin, Esq.
M. W. C.

[ENCLOSURE]

The Gentlemen who will be
in charge of the instrument
will cause it to sing & to
speak whatever way he
desires

Should you wish to
have an exhibition kindly
let us know as soon as
possible to avoid disappointment
as dates are rapidly being
filled up Mr and Mrs
Gow's Satisfaction.

Wm. Lubbock G.W. & Co



PRIZE MEDAL FOR PORTRAITURE, VIENNA, 1875.
THREE MEDALS.
LONDON, NEW YORK, HULL & DUBLIN.
PHOTOGRAPHS TO H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES.
AND TO H.R.H. THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH.

The London Stereoscopic & Photographic Company,
110, 108 & 106, REGENT STREET.

AND
54, CHAPLIN'S
COURT.

London Oct 10th 1878

Dear Sir,
The Photograph
Speaking Machine

I have the pleasure
to inform you that we have
made arrangements for exhibiting
the above most wonderful machine
at Literary and Scientific Institutions
on terms for which are
£5.5/- Expenses charged & the

NY 6th 78
Thos H Jones
and Dec 6-78

27 West 50th Street
New York
Shuman & Allen Esq
New York

Dear Sir:

I am back from
Brazil having secured
your rights in the Provinces
there and in the Argentine
Confederation.

We informed down here that
you seldom visit the City,
and like to have an inter-
view with you at such
time and place as you may
select.

I hope you will give me a

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge
the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst.

and in reply to inform you that
the same has been forwarded to the
proper authorities for their consideration.

I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Your obedient servant,
J. W. Jones

Kindly in the Electric light,
and the other countries, and
especially as I prepare
the ground in the court of
your meeting with success,
before my departure from
there.

Yours truly,
J. W. Jones

OFFICE OF
ERNST BILHUBER,
132 Nassau Street.

New York, Dec. 6th 78

F. A. Givens Esq
Mond's Park -
Dear Sir!

Your favor of the 5th has been
received, and contents noted -

I should be very much obliged if you
will be kind enough to direct a few
lines to your agent in Paris which
will aid in the procuring a Photograph
for the Royal Industrial Museum -
(Museum für Kunst, Gewerbe & Handel) in Stuttgart Germany.

I will write to the above named institution
to leave them and their request to Mr.
Theo Puckas. If not asked too much I
should be very thankful if you would
be kind enough to send me a few lines for
the purpose of enclosing such ^{my} letter
to Mr. Puckas. Very Respectfully,
Ernst Bilhuber.

THEO. PUSKAS

St. Louis, Mo.

45 Avenue de l'Opéra

Paris, le 11th Decem^{ber} 1871

My dear Edison

Enclosed please find check for
\$12.25 in discharge of two bills for
himself. The last sending has not yet
come to hand but I expect it daily.
Will write you to-morrow.

Very truly yours

Theo. Puskas

Mexico; Decber 16th 1874.

To the Director of the Edison
Speaking-Phonograph Company.
P.O. Box 5529. New-York.

Dear Sir

I have been waiting
since long time an answer to the letter which
I have directed to you on July 1st 1874, and
I do not know indeed which may be the rea-
son of your silence but to suppose that my
letter may have been lost.

Enclose I send you the copy of it.

I have been told that you have invented
now a new calling bell for houses put in
movement by Magneto-electric-batteries.

Should that be true it would be quite
an important improvement: if it is not,
you ought study and make that invention
which, sure, would give the best results.

I have some project on it, but my business
do not allow me time for it, and besides as
the manufacturing in this country is too dear
and difficult, it would not be convenient for
me to loose my time.

Now I tell you, Sir, my house is about the
alone requested to fix the electric-bells in the
hotels and particular houses in this city, so I
think I should be the most satisfactory
person to sell here your new bells.

#vi¹/2. M^r Edison

So be so kind Sir, and tell me if you think
convenient the proposal I made you with
my first letter, proposal which I make you
now again for all the Mr Edison's inventions.
As before and always I remain

Yours respectfully,

Charles L. Lunt

Copy of my letter July 4th 1878.

Mr. Chas. A. Cheever
(Edison Speaking Photographic Company,
205 Broadway, New-York.
N 5529, P.O. Box 20)

Dear Sir,

Messrs Probst & Co

N.Y. city, sent me your favor June 11.
The best attention has been paid to your pro-
posal, and I am very obliged to you for it.
I am very sorry my dear Sir to tell you
that the Edison's conditions are not conve-
nient to me.

I make however to him another proposal,
that is:

- A For the exclusive privilege of selling or
exhibiting Phonographs or any other Edison's
inventions, I shall take care to obtain the
patent in that country of Mexico in the name
and at expenses also of Mr Edison.
- B Mr Edison will give me the exclusive agency
for the sale of phonographs and other arti-
cles of invention of Mr Edison.
- C He will allow me a 15 % on the gross
selling, and I shall sell only at the prices
and conditions he will give me.
- D Mr Edison, and I too, shall be at liberty to
continue our agreement, or to make other arrange-
ments at any time we are pleased.
- E On my side I oblige me, for all the time

Box of copies Mr
Cheever
16th May 78
Charles Lunt
about phonograph
and a little of my
work was read
just here

used June 17th
see letter from

I am agent of Mr Edison, to not make any improvement and manufacture Phonographs or article of Mr Edison's invention.

I believe that I may take care of the Mr Edison's interests, better than any other persons in the republic.

I am now established more than fifteen years in this city with a factory and depot of surgical instruments, mechanical and scientific apparatus, and I am quite well known as the only such a manufacture throughout the whole republic.

In such way I have done business with the Bell-Telephones-Company, and with good result.

I should be very satisfied that my proposal would be of agreement of Mr Edison, and enter into business with him.

Waiting your answer, I remain

Yours truly,
Subscribed Carlos Lexter

Carlos Lexter
Calle del Puente Esprizita Santo N 9
Mexico city.

To

NOTE

D
1879 Phon-

J. A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park
New Jersey U.S.A.

FROM

GEO E GOURAUD.
6 LOMBARD STREET E.C.
LONDON. 28 Dec 1878

Phonography

I send you herewith a statement of Professor Barrett's the significance of which you will be sure to appreciate. He tells me besides that he believes Nottage is making a large income from Exhibitions. He knows that his net receipts from Dublin alone were very considerable as after the initial Exhibitions (those following Barrett's Lecture) one firm paid for a long time £50 a week for the privilege of continuing the show. Besides Barrett's evidence of Nottage's policy in refusing sales of Phonographs I have numerous other instances in corroboration of the same. I am frequently asked where Phonographs can be bought, none for private use some for export and in several instances where I have referred them to Nottage I have heard that they were unable to buy them on any terms. Now this seems to me a great outrage and a great violation of not only the spirit

and the letter of your Contract and I can only say to you that if you will please me in a proper position so to do - and it must obviously be as an interested party - I will make it my business to reform this thing. We have evidence enough to enable us to cancel the Contract and take the whole thing out of his hands but before accepting such an alternative I feel sure that I could accomplish a compromise by which the advanced Royalties already paid you would be soon covered - if indeed they have not been long since - by Exhibitions, and a further income to you early follow. This matter is seemingly well worth your attention and need takes no more of your own time and thought than to put me (or somebody else if you like) in a suitable position to act in the premises.

In this connection, referring to your offer of some time since to sell me a certain interest in your English Phonograph Royalties I do not feel under all the circumstances, justified in accepting it and submit for your consideration whether such services as I can perform in your behalf

would not, of themselves justify
a compensation in the form of a
share of the results. But should
this not meet your views, I
nevertheless place my services at
your disposal in any manner you may
find most so far as may be practicable for
me to carry out.

W. E. Emerson

Memo. of Conversation dictated
 of Prof. W. F. Barrett with Stereoscopic
 Co. Cheapside London. 28 Dec/28 -
 dictated by him to me Thomas Phillips.
 and in the presence of Mr. Gouraud -

I have just come from the Stereoscopic Co.
 having asked them to let me have a
 phonograph for my lecture at Monday
 evening - They offered me the least
 one that Edison put over, but did not
 think they could supply one with a
 clock work instrument - I told them
 I wanted one for my lecture at Hull
 and Manchester and proposed purchasing
 one from them according to an order
 sent them some time ago - They showed
 me several that they had in stock
 just come from the makers, the price of
 which was ten guineas - hand machine.
 but they declined to let me have one
 and on my asking why, they said
 they required a written guarantee
 that the instrument should not be
 used for public exhibition, or if so
 used, should be used out of
 Great Britain and Ireland.
 I then said, "Do you positively decline
 to let me purchase one of your
 instruments for my lectures?"
 They said "Yes; on any conditions, we have
 not one now to spare - The first

orders that have to be supplied are those taken at the Crystal Palace. I said, "Why are you so slow in making them? There is an immense demand now for them all over the Country, as I know from enquiries addressed to me personally and what I hear from friends."

They replied "We cannot get them made quick enough. Mr Blakey of the British Telegraph Co., having broken his contract, we think of bringing an action against him." I said, "Why not go to Elliot or some large firm who could turn you out the things quickly?" He said "We have spoken to several - I remarked that as I was lecturing at home on Mr Edison's inventions I was anxious to show his discoveries in their most perfect form; hence should be glad if they would enable me to do him all the justice they could - as doubtless they had made a good thing out of his phonograph and felt sure they would oblige me - They replied "It is Mr Edison that has made money out of us, not me out of him" - but they admitted having been wonderfully successful in Dublin in exhibiting the instrument after it had been shown at the British Association at my request."

This agreement entered into this
day of by
at J.A.E. 96 mch. 96 mch. 96
at stop of 97 ply first pt a
The Edison Mfg Co 96
the City Co 96 of 97 ply
of Com 97 partly of
the 2nd part 2. Within
wherein the said Edison
has a patent granted to
him for a speaking phony
number 1877. and
wherein the said Edison
Co is desirous of working
the same. therefore be it
agreed that the said
Dominion of Canada is
hereby included within

of the Dominion in the year of the
the manifest in 1878
of political nature

the the royalty of 20 per
cent shall extend to
46 paid upon account
received from exhibitors
the said phrase meaning
in the Dominion of
Canada -

It is further agreed that
the said Co shall at
their own Expense protect
the said patent in the
Dominion of Canada
from infringement
& also manufacture & sell the
said apparatus in
conformity with the Law

the provisions of the Contract
of ^{between} the said E & C. A. C & all
dated Jan 30 1878
in the same manner as with
the US patent and the
same royalties to be paid
the said Edison and all other
agreements between the said
Edison & the said Co
to extend to the Dominion
of Canada in the same
manner as of the said
Dominion was a part of
the US or covered by
the US patent
It is further agreed

~~Mr. Edison~~
~~please telegraph immediately~~
~~inventions of Phonograph~~
~~patents taken by Smith~~
~~to South America~~

L. A. Lubing
New York

~~Four~~

It requires tin foil
thirteen & half by
five inches

T. A. Edison

New York

Lo I A Edison -

to catch

Telegraph permission to ship
telegram to Morrin ~~night~~ steamer
for Japan other wise see me ~~something~~
one will Friday important but
not to mention to day

Sig Chas A Cheever.

1878. Polyform (D-78-033)

Correspondence.

All selected.

[APRIL 9, 1878]

If not private please tell me
where I can get your recipe
for whitening paper, Crawford
of Philadelphia Sellers firm &c

file manuscript

Respectfully
J. M. Worthington M.D.
132 N. Gay Street
Baltimore Maryland

New Orleans April 11th 78

Thos. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir: In an account of an interview had with you - published in the "World" - the Reporter states that you have a preparation which will instantly stop pain. He gives the ingredients but not the proportions. My wife has suffered greatly for years with pains in the back & doctor after doctor has failed to give her relief. Believing, with the rest of the world, that whatever you do is a success, I write this to beg of you to inform me how or where I can get a bottle of this preparation. Of course I am aware that you are not a vendor of medicine, but on the other hand, the chance of benefiting my wife makes me run the risk of being considered importunate. If you can, without inconvenience, give me the information asked for you will greatly oblige

Yours most Respectfully

H. L. Leclaire

DLW

The reporter made a mistatement in regard to
 curing all pains. It relieves
 neurologic pains etc.

H. J. Ireland
 May 11, 1917

- 1 oz. alcohol
- 2 ʒ Chloroform
- 1 ʒ Chlorid Hydrate
- 1 ʒ Camphor Gum
- 1 ʒ Sulphur Ether
- 8 grains Sulphate Morphine
- 1 drach Oil Cassia
- 1 " " Cloves

apply externally.
Do not take it inwardly

^{Mrs}
C. L. Buchanan
Apr 8. 78

Mrs Buchanan

Pomerville April 13. 1878

Dear Sir

In an article in the
Supplement to the Scientific American for
April 20 1878 you are made to say that you
had a mixture of morphine & chloroform which
would cure pain. For ten many years I
have been for the most of the time
confined to my room & nearly half the
time to my bed with no illness but
pain constant intense agony night &
day. The best physicians, the best Springs
of Virginia & California & nearly every
advised remedy have been tried but
to little advantage the only real relief being
obtained from hypodermic injections of
morphine. The doctors call my trouble
Neuralgia of the sciatic nerve & say
that there is no cure. It has made an
old man of me in my youth! No one can
imagine how I suffer & if you have
anything which will relieve me I'll

is not a secret please forward me
the formula. It will relieve me
enough so that I could get four or five
hours of conscious relief & an opportunity
to sleep four or five hours at a time. It
would be a Godsend.

During the intervals
between my worst pains I have devoted
the time to inventing & with success. I
am naturally active & getting aside the
pain it is terrible to be chained down
unable to work more than ten or fifteen
minutes at a time & then pay for it by
hours of increased pain. That is the way
I have made all my models for the
different patents I have.

I have been disappointed
so many times that I shall await your
answer with anxiety.

Respy Yours
Geo L Watson
of Boston

Edward L Gilman
Somerville
Mass

Rand Fork Ga

Apr. 15th 1858

Dear Sir

I saw yesterday an article in the world describing your wonderful Paragraph, amongst other things the writer stated that you observed time a preparation composed of Iodo Phine, Chlorophane, Chloral Hydrate, tinct. Sassafras Cloves and Carida, saying that it would relieve pain instantly. Will you be good enough to send me the formula and names of preparations as well as the dose. You will please pardon the liberty I take, as the only reason I have is that my wife is a great sufferer, and most of the ordinary means at our command often fail. You will confer a favor upon us both by replying to this at once, if you are not opposed at my boldness in addressing you.

Yours Respectfully
W. H. Mitchell

Can you copy the formula
on that postal card,
send - and we await results

Times 8 + March 22
Boston, June 3 1878

Thomas C. Edison Jr.
Mans. Dock N.Y.

Dear Sir,

I noticed by the Boston
Register, about a week since,
in an excellent account of your
place, wonderful invention, that
you had prepared a chemical
yellow fluid "Polyform" or some
such name, containing all the known
chemicals, that acted on the nervous
system, & that did not react one
upon another & that would instantly
remove the pain of neuralgia
by an outward application.
As Mrs. B. has severely suffered
with that in her head, & on the
face, & especially after fatigue to
damp or East wind, namely every
other day, accompanied with
a kind of inflammation of the membrane
of the nasal organs, when the attack
comes on, & preceded usually by a
fit of sneezing; having tried many
eminent Physicians, & other means

with only a temporary effort,
I am induced, ¹²¹to a stranger,
to ask for the sake of relief,
if you will be kind enough
to send me a small quantity
for trial, with directions for its
use; or be kind and to send me
a receipt to enable me to get it put
up here, or come not making
it. I shall be, without your consent,
should it be sent, please to send,
care H. H. Stoddard at J. L. Fairbanks
& Co. 288 Washington St. Boston,
Station 4 - & please inform me
of so doing, directed to my
address at "P. O. Box, St. Mark's
Boston, Mass." & I shall be most
obedient to the order, & thank
you and direct it.

Very respyly Yours
C. J. H. Birney

Generally, of 6 or 8 p.m. half the night
the only relief is from one to a dozen
of profuse lancinations, which finally
induce sleep, & leave not the least
effects of common lancinations, &c., &c.

and see 574 plates
7 pages
Jan. 30-78
Boston

My June 3 '78

Chas. Morton

Polyform

Ans June 5 '78

Private June 3rd 1878

Professor Edulston

Dear Sir

I have long been an admirer of your inventive talents but I did not take up my pen to Echo so world wide a sentiment. Now to ask you to give me the Prescription of your wonderful mixture while you say stop pain immediately.

In doing this you will have the satisfaction of knowing you have relieved one sufferer from the cruel torture of

neuralgia to which
she is a daily victim
Trusting that you
will not consider
the request an
liberty - I remain

dear Sir

truly yours

Olive Morton

Please address
me under cover

to - F. F. Atkinson Esq

c/o - W. & Earle

Gramercy Park

House

New York.

Westport June 8th 1878

Thomas A. Edison

Dear Sir

I see by the Boston Journal
That you have a Lotion
that will cure the Neuralgia
I have a friend that is
a great sufferer of that
disease. And I would
your Lotion Please send
me direction & where I
can get it - and the price
Address E. E. Mc Carthy
Westport Maine

Lomerville June 6, 1878

Dear Sir

I should have answered your kind letter before this but have had one of my "bad spells" confining me to my bed & rendering it impossible for me to write. I am now better but so weak that it is hard work for me to guide my trembling hand. I tried your recipe for neuralgia. I had previously used equal portions of Chloral Hydrate & Camphor & your recipe gave similar results. It relieved the pain while held on the nerve but as soon as removed the pain returned. There is a peculiar case of neuralgia of the sciatic nerve so very peculiar & severe defying all known remedies as to be mentioned in the medical journals. I have had the most eminent physicians from Dr. Brown Sequard down & all have failed to do more than give me temporary relief from the horrible pain. It comes very hard on me as I am comparatively young & ambitious. I am a successful inventor & have received seven patents. I have now an application ready for another which is an improvement on my last. An improved printing press. I enclose a photograph of the press as patented. Everybody knowing you in this vicinity tell me that you are one of the most honorable of men. Feeling this to be true I take the liberty of making a suggestion viz "If the following idea is practicable that you put it into form & take an equal interest, rich me in the patent. I have given practical men an idea of the result &

I aimed at & have been assured that if perfected, it would be of great value. I will endeavor to make it as plain to you as possible. It is an arrangement whereby a person in any part of a building of steamships may know at all times how much water there is in the boiler & how many pounds of steam are generated. Each officer in his stateroom has a pilot in his house & the passengers on a steamship & each occupant of a room of office in a factory or building heated by using steam would know whether the engineer was faithful or not.

I propose to place a float in the boiler to do this. Some time ago I saw in the Scientific American a statement that Mr. Elisha Gray of Chicago had discovered that different musical notes could be sent out over water without instruments & that by means of tuning forks different currents could be operated. Taking this to be a fact I made the following arrangement. The float in the boiler would have a stem of rod passing through the top of the boiler & extending as far above the top as the float rises in the boiler. On this stem I would place pins four or ten inches apart radiating like the spokes of a wheel no two being in vertical line. On a platform on top of the boiler I would place pivoted bars with one for each pin with springs above & below them stiff enough to spring them back but not so stiff but that the float & rod rising & falling would overbalance them so that when the rod rises & fell the proper pin would raise the catch & as it passed by & released it would cause it to strike a

tuning fork. The tuning forks would be arranged around the rod each one in line with a pin. Connecting these tuning forks with a wire at leading to the different rooms where a motion case would be placed having within it a set of forks attuned with those on the boiler. The front of each case would have a number of apertures. On top of the case would be a gong. Under the case would be a number of metal tags of labels bearing numbers corresponding to the number of inches noted by the pins in the boiler above. The gong & labels to be connected with the tuning forks so that the opening or closing of the circuit caused by the pin making the hammer strike a tuning fork would strike the gong & cause the proper label to drop behind an aperture at the same time raising the one previously dropped so that only one would be seen. For noting the lbs. of steam another similar case would be used connected with the same arrangement of pins forks & operated either by a piston working in a steam pipe or by the direct hand of the steam gauge. The supposed necessity of using a battery which the putting of a vessel in a storm would discourage me but a Mr. Fuller of New York informed me that he could furnish a machine to replace the battery. Perhaps the tuning fork method is impracticable. If so you may know of some other method. I have given you my idea although perhaps not very plain as I am so weak I have to write by instalments. The idea is that when the water rises or falls 2 inches the first of last pin will open or close the circuit causing the label marked 15 or 45 if there are the extreme points to become exposed & remain so

until
the mated rising or falling 5 or 10 inches causes another pin
to strike another catch. You may know of some simpler or
better method of obtaining the required result in various
places than that of the tuning forks. Perhaps the whole thing
is impracticable & I have caused you to waste your valuable
time in reading this or laugh at my presumptuous under-
stand scarcely anything about electricity. The mechanical
portion I think I could arrange.

Yours Truly,

Edw. L. Gilman
601 Walnut & Pearl St
St

Edw. L. Gilman
Somerville
Mass

Ans June 7th

Edw. L. Gilman
Somerville June 6th

Private
Am 2 June 1778

Philadelphia 778

Dear Sir, I received your letter of the 26th inst. and am glad to hear that you are well. I am well and hope this letter will find you the same. I am sorry to hear that you are not well. I hope you will soon be better. I am very much interested in you and hope to hear from you soon. I am, Sir, your obedient servant,
John Adams

[illegible]

[illegible]

Dear Genl. Will. B. - Yours are a
 great & few minutes to be
 given to me - the proposition
 you would give me being
 that of giving me a
 dose of sulphur. I shrink from
 the proposition. I will be
 I am opposed to your adding
 so much excise to my
 perhaps, for a Winchester
 that will even - its safe
 arrival. With the good of
 respect, I understand that
 should you comply with
 my request, I will be
 as good as my wish.

Miss H. L. Stringfellow.
Care of Mrs. P. A. Washburn
Baltimore, Md.

Boston June 11th 78

"Polyform"
formula sent
June 11 78

Boston June 10th, 1878.

Thos. A. Edison Esq.

Windsor Park N.Y.

Dear Sir:

In an account published in the Boston Transcript, on the 28th ult., of the visit of representatives of the Boston Press, to your laboratory, &c, there appeared a paragraph, in regard to a medicine you had prepared for neuralgia, which was spoken of quite highly. (enclosed, please find said paragraph) Both myself and wife, are much afflicted with neuralgia; attacking us in the head, and sides, and my wife, in the head, side, and limbs; we have tried many things, but with little benefit. What I want to ask, is

what would be the price for a
bottle of Polyform, or the price for the
recipe, which I suppose could be
put up, at some drug store here.

Hoping to hear from you at your
earliest convenience,

I remain,

Yours respectfully,

Geo. A. Chapin.

#63 West Brookline Street
Boston. Mass.

POISON.
A yellow powder, labeled "Polyform" was noticed by one of the party in the laboratory. Mr. Dorem said it was a mixture of the combining all the known chemicals that acted upon the nervous system and that did not react one upon the other. He never knew it to fail to stop the pain from the worst neuralgic. It once cured, or rather delayed the pain, of a German Jew, afflicted with neuralgic headache, by an external application, when fifteen grains of morphine, two grains of atropine and a large dose of opium had failed to give relief.

Boston, June 14, 1878.

F. A. Benson Esq -

Dear Sir:

Your favor of the 11th inst, came
to hand in due season - Many thanks
for the formulae, which to judge by the
immediateness, must be a good thing, and
shall have it put up at an early date -

Respectfully yours -

Geo. A. Chapman -

Middleboro, Mass.

June 17th 1878

Mr. Edison:

Dear Sir, having
seen a notice to the effect that you
have a machine for dictating, and
will give the permission for to any
one who may wish to use it, I give you
the liberty to use you and use the
form of the form as we have a
form a notice in the house also in
respecting the fact that it is a
complete, American, I have the
address and the address will be
most greatly appreciated by you, to

Yours truly

Wm. H. P. P.

W. H. P. P.

Middleboro

Mass.

Re. Lung-brain & facial-
puffiness from pain for
years - Rheumatism
Nervousgia - tooth ache -
Headache - &c - & hours of
a day - most who use
Suffer - like my self have
been - Besides the pain
in my body & there - have
been - Paralytic - in
my lower - limbs - so -
as to be unable to walk
& sleep for nearly three
years - If you will be
so kind as to give me
the formula - I assure
you - you will have -
my hearty thanks if
it will only relieve me
of Pain - I have tried
First - Many other means
but - no success - I Hoping
to hear from you soon

And that - you will
Pardon - your liberty - in
writing - etc -
Respectfully - Yours

John Edward Randall
Care of Mrs A. Bailey
Mountain Ferry W. Va.

P. enclosed in stamp
for you -

Spencer Hill.
June 18th.

Phil Wm Colverman.
I hope your friend Lincoln thinks
for his prompt reply, I very
much. I have been in the
hands of him. He is, but not
in combination. I have
you this a faithful trial.
He is with the world. I
fear he is not agreeable to
your. Colverman is a
very nice & good man. I am
afraid of his intentions. I
hope it will be well. I am
very much interested in it.

[illegible]

JAMES P. HARTLEY,
PRESIDENT.

L. S. BUTLER,
CASHIER.

New Hampshire National Bank.

Dartmouth, N. H., June 18 1878

Dr. J. Edelson Esq

Monte Porto N. J.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 5th inst. was duly received & I desire to thank you for your kindness.

The remedy for Aneurysm I have had prepared & my teacher has found it very great relief from its use. — Several persons having learned of my Father's case have expressed a desire to try it. I would be glad to supply them, but do not, of course, feel at liberty to do so without permission.

I feel asking too much, since you have the kindness to advise me.

Again thanking you
I am, very truly yours
L. S. Butler

Managers,
HILBORNE L. ROOSEVELT,
CHARLES A. CHESTER.

P. O. Box 5529.

THE TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
72 TRINITY BUILDING,
203 BROADWAY.

New York July 9th 1878

Dear Edison

These prices I get from a
reliable "first rate man."

Chloroform 1.00 lb

Sulphuric Ether .75 lb

Alcohol 2.25 Gall -

Chloralhydrate .25 lb

Camphor 30¢ lb.

Peppermint Oil 2.50 lb

Sulph. Morphine 4.40 lb

extra charge
for bottles

These are prices
the druggist
will sell for.
If course he
could make it
a little less in
large quantities

Do you think 2 oz bottles would
be large enough? might have
2 sizes - 2 & 4 -

Is it a positive cure. and
immediate in its relief?

Would you recommend it as a
specific for Neuralgia. or is
there not some other disease for
which the thing is equally good -
lots of rheumatism &c -

Please answer tomorrow
Yours Ap.

20 Dec 1878

Office of
W. S. Hayward
Special Agent for
Prof. J. B. Williams, D.D.
209 Broadway
New York

July 9th 1878

J. A. Edison Esq.
Mendota Park, N.Y.

Sir,

Mr Applebaugh gave me a prescription
made by you for Neuralgia. as
follows.

Chloroform	2oz
Sulph Eter	1 "
Alcohol	1 1/2 "
Chloral Hydrate	2 "
Camphor	1 "
Peppermint oil	1 drop
Sulphate Morphine	6 grains

"outward application only"

I used the compound for my

Ans'd July 12, 1878

Son. Employed in this office with
beneficial results

It has occurred to me that - an
application for Neuralgia. placed
before the public. as the suggestion
or discovery of Prof. Edison might sell.

I will "try it on" if you will give
me the permission to use your
name and if you so judge will
give you a per centum on net profits
or profits for the privilege

Respectfully,
Yours truly,
Wm. H. Stoyran

PS

I presume your printing done
out by Express. some weeks since
You will know me when you see me

Washington
Sept.

Mr. Adams,

As you expressed
the wish, to hear of your friends
who for the relief of the sick,
afflicted with a disease from
my friends, I have your letter
about my friends to the
with your request, as long
as you for a second letter
from my friends. I did
not consider of such a
it a fair trial, but I had
back - I was suffering
violently, & as the doctor for

hesitated from going to the corner of the house, but
like Galadriem, I thought this time being was sufficient.
If the mixture, I determined referred to eat with peace
to lay it again. The draught my pain. My check was
not prepared. I sent an order to the shop to inform me, it
it was a very powerful prep that I had to take it as a
season. I should be very, have referred to the city to
careful hand I applied it, so to remove the treatment of Pal
you can imagine I was a woman. I think it might
little intimidated as to give me relief for some of
the effect - However, clear brow, then the pain re-
a chondriacal disorder, I did turn. I shall try it
not reference from learning when in the country, and
than from the person; all are most grateful to you.
Could not lay a cloth over for your kindness for
my check to prevent the sunburning it when you could
disposition. But I am so readily, have known
said it from a fire time in my little accident. My physi-
cians told me it might be the

Spent ^{some} few months, give
the sensitive nerves all free
the rest, for when some force
is in perfect repose, it escapes
the pain. It takes much a
pain to demonstrate what an
unusually sensitive the tongue
is. The slightest motion of
the tongue will often produce the
most excruciating pains.
But it has no doubt, upon
patting from any pressure and
picking - a slight pressure to
the tongue, knowing there
will be an eternal rest
of a long attack of it. May
perhaps be your last day
future is the wish of your
friend. F. C.

Poly-anodyne = manifold pain reliever.

Polypharmakon = manifold drug or remedy

Polymorph = many-formed.

1878. Railroad - Port Huron and Sarnia Railway Companies (D-78-034)

Correspondence, some by Edison; accounts, check.

All selected.

Port Haven Aug 10/88
J.W. Wilson Esq (Dear Sir)

Mr Wm Stuart has
accused me of writing one of the
M.C.R. - in an old note that was
presented by Dr Pto for some undertaking
of the Revue - as I understood it
this undertaking is to be given by
the old shareholders of Quebec
according as they can settle - which
would be decided between you & I
and Stuart - Now I can easily
to give my profession of this thing
could be closed up - Mr Stuart
was Treasurer of the Quebec Co.
and during the time he as Treasurer
and W.P. as Secretary employed
Stuart as Clerk Stuart who
Dr Pto accused of a deception

of several hundreds of dollars
when the G. I. R. R. Commit-
ment against the Galveston
in its Court for the out door
then - I made arrangements with
their attorney to stop the debt
and send the Co about 200⁰⁰
Cash - settled with G. I. R. R.
Now my own private debt and
have secured out a Court of
the Money I advanced - Hope
I can settle them finally by
the looks that almost to a
defect to the G. I. R. R. Co
Now is it paid or is it honorable
that I should be harassed in
this matter, the whole matter should
be closed up and I know for
you are ready to pay what you
owe or receive what may be coming
I am ready to do likewise

Must have kept this record book
for about 5 years as there been the
great case of G. I. R. R. and my
affirmation - it has been a sad
dear man, has the conjunction
of the Opposite G. I. R. R. - he
holding 100 shares - and
after receiving 4000⁰⁰ dollars
from the new Opposite G. I. R. R.
I had out of this own signature
Now and I conclude the
over the entire stock and I
pledge you my Honor as a business
man I will see it put out without
loss in time and I will try
to assist me as far as I can
truthful, correct and perfect
to get this matter closed up
so that you and I can be entirely
free from any other indebtedness
in the future

Hierher mich morgen
Wie was soll
Rechts ja weiter

Consider my things the Road
is, they as well as any other
business - my thing is all
and time, an hour and
a day -

to use your influence to close up
the old man's business and defend
me to deal in private
being stark the same - I am
really happy if I can and I
am really sick of this pecuniary
business - ~

Very Respectfully

William Haskell

How you would do it and
write for?

Post Humus Feb 12/78
J A Wilson Esq
Dear Sir

At a late date I sent
you papers as agreed - I am glad
to inform you, under the distressed
condition of all business - the M.R.B.
is doing well - I have watched close
and contacted all affairs possible
and personally made applications to
improve and protect my property
of the same -

I am sorry to be con-
felled to say to you - Mr. E. is running
our opposition the same as he can
omit - Baggage bag - and
since I have limited my for the
Con-empt - Feb 12 - he has
just as a Joseph Smith - or at
least has advised others by furnishing

some old bones & bones, except the
the off-putting parts nothing. I can
say but it takes a small portion
out of STCR coming - viz.
Quibus constant steps to the
leave me but delay the last
few days has made some few
bits to STCR -

I am extremely this
STCR will be dry light some
day and you & I will get some
at money out of it - every thing
is moving as economically as it
can - and as little time being
incurred - men are working at
about one dollar a day - food
is bought at the least cheap
price - every corner is being watched
close - and I believe is being con-
ducted in a business like manner
I wish you would feel perfectly
satisfied that any questions you

may wish to ask will be promptly
and plainly answered by the truth
at hand and to who may be right
or wrong - Mr Marshall feels
somewhat to be a good man in
the office - every thing has been
put under his hand taken charge
he is a very decent worker and
has spirit and does business here
40 years more or less -

You will please
consider this letter private and
confidential and at all times
you can call on me at any time
for application or information
regarding the STCR - I am
determined to make the best I
can for you & myself and in
doing so I have to submit to
some things that are unpleasant
about the STCR all the time and
is very anxious at times that you
be allowed to know - Mr Marshall

W. Watson

Feb 12. 1898

Please this favor to ask should
any report come to you that
L. B. had - please tell me
to investigate and replace
before you give your verdict

Yours Respectfully
William Bartle

Post Remon Feb 13/1878

Dear Bro

I see Whipple to day
he says he will try and settle
up the old R & Motton, he tells
me that he has on a story
how it was I have mislaid
the notes and cannot find them
just now but will in a moment
of time Whipple has got the date
of both notes and tells me he
would get at it in a few days
and close it up but I think you
had better come out here to the
yearly meeting which is in march
I could not write you one that
what I would like to tell you
and I want you to come out
here and see for yourself I
think you will say that my
manuscript was not so bad after
all under all the circumstances
and what I had to contend with
my private opinion of Waiter is
that he is a foot-and-doubt know
and will never know how to
run a S-T-R

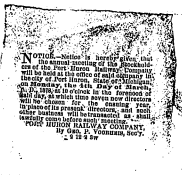
I think if you
were here you could make a deal
of the Symingtons but can do nothing
unless you were here yourself
write and let me know if you can come

It will not take you long and I
am sure a dull time of the year
for you if you were here & that
you would smooth a trail in
Sommer also settle up all the
R. E. accounts on this side and
put all things in good shape
and I think the sooner you come
the better unless you would like
to be here at the annual meeting
as stockholders in March

We are having good sleighing
here and lots of snow that
is tugging, hawking and getting
less dollars a week which
don't come in bad this winter
be there and answer if you
can come or not

Yours to all

A. P. E.



Port Huron, Mich. Feb 23^d 1878

J. A. Edison Esq
Windsor Park

Dear Sir:

Enclosed find notice of annual meeting
of stockholders of Port Huron Meeting Ry and Marsh
4th inst.

Yours truly
L. P. Dorking

Office of J. & J. S. Symington,

TAILORING, DRY GOODS, AND
CARPET WAREHOUSE,

Leominster 2nd Mo. 1878

La Edison

Dr Sir,

Yours Cause duly paid
enclosing your Ch for amt
to my interest in amt borrowed
from us to date. We would have
acknowledged receipt sooner
but have been waiting testimony
to our statement of position
of the road but have been
unable to do so in consequence
of the Clerk Cent not being settled
it has gone against the road
but we have not yet got
a statement of the amt. paid
but hope will be able to give

J. S. Cunningham
Receipt

you a full statement within
a short time. There is a talk
of the G. K. running a branch
in the town. But it is doubtful
if this takes place there will
not be need to look after
they are operating at the present
time. I doubt whether they
decide coming or not. I will
be decided in a few days.

Yours
J. S. Cunningham

Mechanics National Bank.

Mechanics National Bank,

Newark, N. J. April 18, 1878

Mr W. T. Edison

A Draft drawn on You by
W. T. Edison for ^{Twenty} \$100 is held
by the Mechanics National Bank, for your acceptance.

Please call at the Bank and accept it to-day.

Respectfully Yours,

O. L. BALDWIN, Cashier.

Thomas A Edison & Pat Harnum April 28. 1878

Dear Sir

Yours of the 25th inst. received
this morning upon inquiring I am informed the
following Lawyers are counsel for you & competent
men - McKenzic & Furdo, first in the list
not to name last - Pardon & Garvey - any
other information I can afford you shall be
pleased to do so

Yours Respectfully

William Brewster



Flint, Mich.
29th April, 1878.

Thomas A. Edison, Esq
Menlo Park N. J.

Dear Sir-

In replying to yours to Mr. Bancroft, who is out of the city recruiting his health, I visited Falmouth and on enquiry of several firms there they all gave the names of J. S. Fisher and the firm of MacKenzie & Gurd. as the best practising lawyers.

My further service I trust
will be given with pleasure.

Yours truly,
C. A. Bancroft

[APRIL 1878]

HURON HOUSE.

CHAS would like to come down and say for her
 the trouble is he is a little short of funds
 but is waiting for a cash sale and get
 for month and will be collecting in
 a short time

[APRIL 1878]

days with the object of getting the
land off is not to let the trial
come & untill the terms expire
when you can call for your
stock and get it into your
possession and then if they
ever get a judgment against
me let them come then what
I think and so ~~proceeding~~ ^{proceeding} ~~that they will try and compromise~~
the matter and pay you for your
stock and drop the matter so
if you possibly can pay the
draft do so & save yourself
the money but I failed on it
do you get any statements from
either road let me know
the Sonoma road is making money
and is far ahead in the market
so don't get discouraged and you
will get a good deal of money
out of your SRR stock. I hear
a great deal of you and your intentions
the papers are full of you and them WRL

Mr Edson
New York

1
O. K. Norton May 23/88

Dear Sir as I am connected in this
Office since last December in Place of Immigration
& thought I would write you a few lines about the
St Paul way. The Road is doing as well as any
business these dull times. The Opposition accounting
Against the Road is much worse than the Second St Paul
Road, was and I will explain why - The Queen and Monarch
with driver a man on the Chicago & N. W. P. to which passengers
& baggage two baggage was gone driven by Ed Knight
& John Donnelly. Charles Edson in C. & N. W. P. Office
& Coach Robinson from both came for the Omnibus line
The Opposition but was not furnished by J. C. Edson
& handled by Smith or Doctor Robinson had to lay up as
they could not secure a pound of Knight without
Washette order, and Edson has the J. C. P. Co. all right
Not a ticket came to the St. P. Way Co - which is one
of the Biggest Revenue we have our Com on tickets
for June amounted to 132⁰⁰ & not was doubled

The Opposition is Making no money as I can see but still takes away quite a sum from us the Co. is considering the propriety of Parting on a light Boat and Running it free against the Opposition. The Expenses to be paid by the Stockholders - Equally to the limit of their means are all willing but of course the baggage amount would fall upon you the Capt or Mr. Wallace. There is no other feeling any longer we must either give up H. B. B. or Boat must be Run free Wallace has not yet consulted but will no doubt it is a mystery to all why Mr. Edson Opposes your Interest he is paying money for horses & other articles - how he can do it - make so little for he certainly cannot make 500 per month over and above Expenses it seems to me that after paying 5 or 6 men Run two or 3. I am sure he cant be making any thing. Still I like to hear from H. B. B. if we agree at all we it would pay much better but as it is we hardly pay our way - and if Wallace had his will I don't think we would certainly Run in debt Robert & I at 10 day trial considering the Opposition

But Robinson & Threlkeld us to death last winter as against our lot the best thing we can on the trail offering to Carriage for less than could be done but by persistent effort on our part we had them haul of some time now. W. D. has been about with Mr. Stewart to Chicago several days he returned last week and said he has another Boat and wants to put on the trail - how does it in I don't know quite a number of people are yet deceived thinking he still belongs to the H. B. B. way - give them baggage to the Quartermaster it is all one it is supposed by some one you are furnishing him the money and what it is supposed Stewart is doing it & doing his duty best to ignore the H. B. B. that we know he would do only to spite some one & injure his own Int. now what is the best course to pursue if H. B. B. are to commence Operation Run free they had better make an agreement or start to pay Expenses and see how long H. B. B. money would last. Your Interest is looked after by outsiders

4
But your Brother is doing a great deal
to try and your interest, I can understand
and if you can give me your opinion
& advise what to do - I would be willing
to lay the matter before our People -
Now for Edson this is a voluntary letter
on my part and I would ask you to keep
it private as I have no desire to get into
any controversy with my Friend Pitt or any
one else, I heard he stated that any letter
written to me by John A. Edson or others
that he always gets them sent to him at
once - I have no particular set in the
matter, only to make all the money I can for
the Company, and as you are the largest stock
holder in the Co., I thought I could write you
confidentially & as you use to know me where
I was quite young you would appreciate it you
have no doubt heard of me by your Father often
as he frequently calls in my office has wanted
to claim to him &c - Referring to the Prof. I have
known him to carry orders for 2 & 3 Dollars
which the St. will use to get 10 cents & such a
matter works in done for a great deal of share
in any City or Town what is the use of that

5

My time is occupied most of the
time & I can run into Karm
House and away after Traveller
but watch here close & do the best
best I can for the Co—
& am Yours Most Truly &c

A. Macmillan

Parkinson July 12/91

Mr. Edison I enclose your
Statement of Earnings last
Six Months - we are doing quite
as well as we can. Of our
Mightens are running two.
Wagons are the time what
takes. Considerable from us
we have paid quite a lot
of old Bill & kept the Road
in good Repair - we have
not heard any thing from
Oscar. I wrote you
some time ago. Yours truly
A. Mamula

Statement. P. Huron H. B. Way Showing the

Earnings of Car for Pass. Pay & Ticket
Weekly from Jan 1, 1898 to Jan 30, 1898

Also Com. on Tickets and Carriage on
Hot & Date as follows

Date	Weekly Monthly
Jan 5 1898	121 30
" 12	111 95
" 19	87 10
" 26	94 55
Feb 2	88 40
" 9	99 00
" 16	87 19
" 23	90 70
Mar 2	113 44
" 9	114 85
" 16	109 05
" 23	113 40
" 30	109 00
Apr 6	114 15
" 13	111 90
" 20	99 50
" 27	96 60
May 4	123 80
" 11	104 43
" 19	99 10
" 26	125 25
June 2	130 40
" 9	110 20
" 16	107 90
" 23	111 70
" 30	123 73
Total	\$2792 60

Aut Mot up 2792 60

Carriage 580 99 3373 59
Com on Ticket Ticket 345 40
" " outside 103 58 440 98
Grand Total \$ 3,822 57

A. Marmontate
for P. H. B. Way Co

July 1/98

The dummy has all been paid
out with the exception of
about 150⁰⁰ on travel
hereafter will require a
monthly statement of dummy
pay & travel out which for
June &c

A. Marmontate

Books are due for
inspection to my director
of Street & Hotel

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Aug 31 1878

Dear Sir

Dear Sir

You understand that Wm Edison
still continues to run opposition
to the road, I have repeatedly
complained to him of the injustice
of running opposition to a road in
which I am the largest stockholder
but to this he replies that he must
also make a living. It does seem to
me that this ^{personal feeling} ~~and business~~ on the
part of our people and this has not
nor never will pay. In my opinion
the best thing is to buy him off
completely by giving him a position
that will at least give him
a living & secure his services
cooperation and stop all further
trouble, what say you?

T. A. Edison

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF PORT HURON RAILWAY.

For the Month ending,

Sept 30 1878

DATE

REMARKS

Amount on hand,

13305 9285 13225

Passenger, Baggage and Tickets,

22947

25624

Cartage,

13886

Commission on Tickets,

9665

Mail,

Other Sources,

1600 7114013

DISBURSED AS FOLLOWS:

Office Expenses,

555

Labor,

25624

Superintendent,

9450

Horses,

Shoring of

1263

Feed Account,

1858

Harness "

of

1190

Car Repairing Account,

Truck "

3772

Incidental Expenses,

3225

A. H. Fish bal old of

4960

H. Howard on ap

2500

J. Carlton Co a "

1347

Int Bal Station note

5817

" Savings Bank

3100

Real Insurance

4530

Int ap

3000

Int Bal

44800

7114013
A. Mamula

Sp. for line office on the 9

Office of J. & J. S. Symington,

TAILORING, DRY GOODS, AND
CARPET WAREHOUSE,

Payable, 20 Oct 1878
Chas. Edison of
D.C.

The interest on loan
became due on 2nd Sept
1878, and \$50.00, currency
which has not yet been
paid kindly remit amt.
and oblige

Yours truly,
J. & J. S. Symington

Not closed
Nov 2. 78

Tanna Out

Oct 5th 78

Symington

Sent check no 2 \$19.00

Nov 22nd 78

wrote again for a receipt
of receipt of check

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF
PORT HURON RAILWAY.

For the Month ending,

Oct 31st 1878

DATE.

REMARKS.

Amount on hand,	48852
<i>34525 7825 10650</i>	
Passenger, Baggage and Tickets,	58830
Cutrage,	9308
Commission on Tickets,	10310
Mail, <i>G. F. B.</i>	8750
Other Sources,	<u>136050</u>

DISBURSED AS FOLLOWS.

Office Expenses,	1058	
Labor,	24679	
Superintendent,	2400	
Horses <i>stable & heavy</i>	3705	
Feed Account,	11087	
Harness "	50	
Car Repairing Account,	985	
Truck " "	26877	<i>Hammann and taken up</i>
Incidental Expenses,	2985	<i>& all built new</i>
<i>Del Howard of</i>	9000	
<i>Ans</i>	1540	
<i>on haul</i>	51724	<i>136050</i>

A. J. Marshall

Office of J. & J. S. Symington,

TAILORING, DRY GOODS, AND
CARPET WAREHOUSE,

Given, 25th Nov 1878
In witness of
Dr. Cr.

Your Cheque was
duely recd., and acknow-
-ledged same day and pr
velket accept w's best
thanks

truly y^rs
J. & J. S. Symington

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF PORT HURON RAILWAY.

For the Month ending, November 31st 1870 (578)

DATE.	REMARKS.
Amount on hand, 574 24	
329 35 17 70 13 25 } Passenger, Baggage and Tickets, 526 30	
Carriage, Collected 4313	
Commission on Tickets, 115 20	
Mail, C. L. Ford 25 00	
Other Sources, Centre 1925	1246 30
DISBURSED AS FOLLOWS:	
Office Expenses, 11 40	
Labor, 324 05	(5 weeks in this
Superintendent, 30 00	"
Horses, Spring 10 00	
Feed Account, 45 38	
Harness " 21 91	(Hawm Place 1 Burned
Car Repairing Account, 48 89	(then wagon Horse Accident)
Truck " Labor 55 30	
Incidental Expenses, 39 06	
New Bag Wagon 9 50	
Tools 38 00	
Turnip & K. B. B. B. B. 22 50	
Cash on hand 268 89	1246 30
<p>I heard you were sick some time Apr how are you now Affectionate father Yours & C. W. Marmata</p>	

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF PORT HURON RAILWAY.

For the Month ending, December 31 187 8

DATE.

REMARKS.

Amount on hand,
286.35 60.50 148.25
Passenger, baggage and Tickets,
Curtage, *Che*
Commission on Tickets,
Mail, *8914 1940*
Other Sources,
6047-110480

DISBURSED AS FOLLOWS:

Office Expenses,
Labor,
Superintendent,
Horses, *Shoeing*
Feed Account,
~~Horses~~ " *Horses*
Car Repairing Account,
Truck " "
Incidental Expenses,

Int to San Paulo
on hand
Acct of

257.89
495.75
110.61
99.18
24.50
6047-110480

24.55 includes 32m Coal
268.99
24.00
327.81 includes part of Bank Note
252.25 (100 Bank Commission
30.00 includes other fuel
141.78
1177.8 includes 83.00 M Rowan (gl)
35.71
31.00
261.78
11.25 1104.80

A. J. [Signature]

HURON HOUSE,

HURON AVENUE,

W. AMES, PROPRIETOR.

Telegraph and Ticket Office in Connection with House.

"*Good Huron, Mich.,*.....187

Dear Sir

The name of Symington
Sawyer is James Sister after I
got your letter I ask my Lawyers Mess
Pardee & Govey to work to see what
he could do with the Symingtons and
what they would give for the Some Note and
give up the note and settle up all differences
between me and them I have not see them
since but they are the most reliable
firm there in in Iowa as Sawyer
I will probably hear from them in a few
days and will advise you what the
result is there is no other Sawyer in
Iowa that I would trust but them Mr
Pardee is a Member of Parliament and a
safe man and should be trustworthy

for us to have any Sows that are
the only ones that I would trust
over there

now about the Pump
I think you had better have a pair
of well broke Pump horses that is
use to the road and gentle drivers
I could give you a pair of good
ones but will want a little time to
look them up I imagine that you
want a pair that is a little
slyish and good drivers and
not afraid of the Cons as you use
them close by the R.R. I will see
what I can buy in that line and
let you know

I suppose you must
be on your toes night and day by what
I see in all the papers for they are
full of you Phonograph deluge &c
I have not seen a paper in a month
that is not full of articles about
you

Yours W. E.

1878. Tasimeter (D-78-035)

Correspondence, essays, some by Edison.

Not selected: duplicate copy of essay.

Worcester, A.T.
June 10 1878

My dear Sir

Professor Bredich I have
been experimenting pretty successfully
with your heat measurer, but do
not yet get quite all we want out
of it.

We have got up an arrangement

which I show - S.S. is a strip of
brass $\frac{1}{8}$ in thick, $\frac{1}{2}$ in wide.

M. is a piece of brass band
soldered into place, through

it runs the pressure screw

a fine bore on.

At the other end is
a hard rubber piece

R with a little cavity
turned out of the top.

about $\frac{3}{8}$ in thick, $\frac{1}{2}$ in diameter by $\frac{1}{16}$ in
deep - a platinum wire with a



live on top goes through the hard
rubber reaching to the outside. ^{inside}
the cavity we filled in a ^{very} nice
very fine piece with kerosene-oil
lamp black, a platinum disc with a
brass binding piece fits on top of the hard
rubber pressure piece goes in as shown -
The sketch being about full size -
The thing works fairly - but the
button is not sensitive enough -
Under slight pressure its resistance
is gone & it throws and shuns, I've
seen squeeze it down to about 50,
but that is nearly the lowest we
can get without crushing it -

Now we would like very much
to try one or two of your buttons
in the apparatus, if you could
fit up a couple with thin arma-
tures in little hard rubber capsules
which we could fit into our ap-
paratus it would lay us under
great obligations - I think in that
form they could be easily sent

by express - Of course we should
be ready to pay any expense
besides being greatly obliged for
your kindness in letting us use your
invention in our investigation -

Should you care to receive our
invitation that you would
come & see us to what we are
doing by way of preparation for
the summer?

Yours very sincerely
C. C. Young



220 to 232 KINZIE ST. Chicago, June 10 1878.

S. A. Edison Esq.,

Manito Park, N. J.

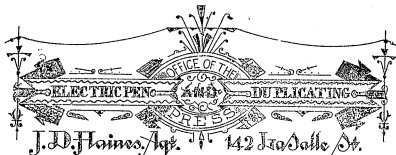
Dear Sir:

W. J. P. Quaker a prominent physician has requested me to write you relative to applying the Carbon thermo-indicator to physicians use. He says the present thermometers are so sluggish compared to your arrangement that you can make some thing of very great value in detecting disease & its changes. A means for determining the temperature of the body is of the utmost importance in the diagnosis of disease. I think you cannot do more kind a greater favor than to make an advertisement and present it to the world. Why should you not be generous also right?

Respectfully

Geo. H. Bliss

Send you couple
Ch. paper of today.



Chicago June 18th 1878

A. A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir:

I inclose a letter from Dr. Secker about the best detector for the human body. Hope you will do something in this important matter and let the Volta Electric have it to use in their Medical outfit as it ought to earn you quite a little sum of money. Please drop me a line about this.

Respectfully

Geo. W. Noble

[ENCLOSURE]

Thermometer

OFFICE OF
DR. JAMES I. TUCKER,
50 DOUGLAS PLACE.

Chicago, June 15, 1878.

Dear Mr. Bliss,

I wish I had had more time to speak with you upon the subject which was the theme of a brief conversation this P.M. at the ~~Edison~~ Palmer House, but I had to hurry home. You know that the thermometer is an important instrument in determining the temperature of the human body in different physiological & pathological conditions. But the thermometer is a very crude instrument for this purpose. Nevertheless you will find by consulting modern medical literature that the thermometer figures largely as a diagnostic agent and the physician who is unacquainted with thermometry in disease is not "up to the times." It occurred to me very early after the suggestion of Edison that the thermometer would be superseded & vitiated by Edison's apparatus for determining delicate shades of temperature. Please say to Mr. Edison if you told me you would write him very soon, in your next communication that he can be of immense service to the medical profession (thence to humanity) by applying his particular ^{heat measuring} ~~thermometer~~ to the needs of medical diagnosis.

In haste your friend
James I. Tucker

OFFICE OF THE

Scientific American,

MUNN & CO., Editors and Proprietors.

No. 37 Park Row,

O. S. MUNN,
A. E. BEACH.

New York, June 18 1878

S. L. Griffin
Dear Sir,

Referring to your relative
to Electro we can supply any that you want.

Yours Truly

Munn & Co.

Transmitted

Ans 2
June 18, 78
Mumma & Co
Sent for 6 cts
of each Tuxedo



N. A. Edison Esq.

Marble Park, N. J.

Dear Sir:

Yours about the merits of electricity
are at hand.

You ought to make a practical experiment
to the good of humanity.

A few things of that character will do
more to give you pure goods which will
last than a dozen ordinary inventions
and for money.

Nothing needed about my expectations
you know.

Respectfully

Geo. W. Bliss

My dear Sir

You can be all your own
the delivery is in it & depends
on Messrs. I have sent one
to Professor who will make
them of any design requires
for instance with 7 cells gravity battery
Messrs. of the with a scale stops 1/4 inches long
the diff. is several inches. writes best of kind
my best photo. from the the same

Good night
Yours
Washington
July 11th

Stuttgart
July 11th 1898

Mr. Thos. A. Edison,
Windsor Park N.Y.

Dear Sir, I have read with
the greatest interest accounts of your
Phonograph, Microphone and the heat
measures you have constructed for
Professor Langley, of the latter appar-
atus I have very indifferently read
as the newspaper reports which have
reached me were not clear. But it
seems to me that the instrument may
be used as a measure of small quan-
tities of heat coming from other sources
and on this point I should like your
opinion, I am thinking of commu-
nicating a series of experiments on the
conductivity of heat in fluids and
also a finer thermometer than any which
physicists at present possess. Investi-
gation in this direction has not advanced
very far simply for want of such

a measure. It gratifies me to know that an American has given to Science an instrument of research as delicate and at the same time as important.

The case which I have in hand is this: I wish to measure the conductivity of heat in solutions of analysed salts, eg. the chlorides of Potassium, Potassium, Lithium &c. the Nitrate of the same metals are as on the object being to detect any possible relation existing between molecular structure and conducting power for heat. You see an exceedingly delicate apparatus is here required, for while the heat transmitted through a solution of one of the above named salts is manifestly a very small amount that transmitted through ~~another~~ can be but insignificantly more or less, and that is the point to be investigated.

I have conversed with several gentlemen here - among them Professors Luther Meyer and P. Du Bois Raymond - on the subject of the heat measure and they express, that if one may have ^{the will} successfully overcome the difficulty.

It may be proper for me to state that I am an American and having finished the course in the University of Reading, I am at present working in the Laboratory of the University of Padua. I may perhaps take the liberty of referring also to Professor Langley whom I have had the pleasure of meeting several times in Pittsburgh. I should be much pleased to introduce your instrument among the German Chemists - next after the English manner, however - or at any rate to hear from you that it can be applied in chemical work.

An answer from you would be considered a great favor.

I am

Most respectfully,

John H. Langley

To Thos. A. Edison
Mundo Park.

over my head on this. J. H. L.

T. A. EDISON.

July 16 1876
Menlo Park, N. J.

Griff send this:-

H. C. Wfg. Co

~~Patterns of barometer sent~~
~~today drawings and instruction by~~
~~mail Thursday~~

Barometer pattern
sent today instruction by mail
Sunday

Ratchela.

Kind Collect

Fort Washington
New York City
July 14th 1840.

Dear Sir

Write Else. nfy to this printer.

My friend, Capt^l John
C. Symmes, U. S. Army (Retired -)
sends to me the enclosed letter for
you, asking me to forward same to
you, as he knows not your address.

The letter asks the price of
a machine, which Capt^l Symmes
wants for use in cutting, for ascer-
taining the heat of fired steel.

Will you be so kind, if you
have such a machine, to drop a
line to me, in enclosed envelope,
telling me whether you can furnish
such, and the price of it. If
so doing you will oblige

Yrs Respectfully
John Haven.

Have

Editor, N.Y.
203 Broadway

Humburg v. S. Hohen
Germany. July 2^d 78

Mr. Edison

My dear Sir:

I write you in business, of my own, & therefore, shortly.

I am a Physician, and am studying, to the east, of "Matter". I graduated M.D. at West Point, 1847: and, ^{then} returned East. I am the foremost, in studies, of West Point's long list. I refer you to Lt. Kiell, "Commandant of Cadets", now, for confirmation. And I am to know the difference between the "beats" of certain Fixed Stars. I have heard that you are the happy inventor of a little machine for answering just that. How much will the ~~best~~ cheapest one cost? (I am interested!)

Please answer me this: my old & best friend - who sends you this - "Mr. John Warren Esq. Fort Washington Heights, N. Y. city." If it is made, Sir, please send him it as soon as you are sent, by him, the money. If more, please

[ENCLOSURE]

Let me know, and I will see if I can arrange without it, or if I
must have it.

I hope, Sunday, to be able to shake your hand heartily, for
the good you've done as - poor bewitched Americans! A German Amer-
-ican told me last Sunday - he lives in the near Frankfurt Pa. - "When any
-thing new, or extra, is shown, every one ~~says~~ says, 'Why, that must be Amer-
-ica!' So it goes! And I am of the land, too! of you & they has - only I
am of Ky. I am the "champion Brecht-Louden favorite of N.Y.", even in '58.
"an foughten field"! In "Scientific American", of May & June '58.

May I hope to hear from you soon, overtly - otherwise
I fear I must go begging the "British Ministry" of Lord Russell's great
Reflections.

With the highest respect for brains,

I am Sir, respectfully,

Jos. Clovis Lyman

Capt. U.S. Army.

Rawlins mjo 27
Springs
Tennepack

All is ready for the eclipse.
The astronomers at this point
worked today incessantly each
rehearsing his part. A clear
sky favored them and the
results portend success. Every
indication points to ~~good~~ ^{good} weather
during for the precious two and one
half minutes of totality. ~~Dr.~~
~~Drafer of the University of~~
~~Philadelphia has arranged to~~
~~both leave and return to the~~

CATTLE BRAND
W

ED. GORDON & CO.

Gordon's Ranch.

WIDE MARK
D

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4 photo of Anna ~~4 photos~~ 2 of husband
of Anna showing it to be certain
Anna gave Caroline the photo
to represent a letter. Edwards
found from records indicate
photo
the photo of Anna given with
Edwards' very photo of letter.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE.

ST. LOUIS,

(Aug. 20) 1875

1875

The Tasimeter

Effect of variation of resistance
by pressure in lamp black.

Describe construction of the
Tasimeter as used for heat.

Use of Tasimeter in the Eclipse.

Barker Eclipse Expedition.

Arrangement of the Tasimeter
in circuit.

Method of adjustment.

Attachment of tasimeter
to the telescope.

Results:

With Arc-turms.

With the Corona Comp.
Observance drawn from them.

Rita Pa
Sept 2, 1878

My dear Sir:

Being interested in
observations of the Variable Star Algol, I
desire to ask if your tachometer might be
attached to my telescope with any good
hope of its revealing the minute changes
in the degree of light from that star.
You may recollect that the light of Algol
varies about 35 per cent within a very few
hours. It is ordinarily a star of 3-4 mags.

What would be the probable expense
of the attachment, if feasible?

Yours respectfully

W. Curtis Taylor

Wentworth Taylor
and Sept 670

Philadelphia
Sept 5, 1878

Dear Sir:

Yours of yesterday recd. I
am not familiar with the use of the apparatus
you have required for tasimetric observations,
but being much interested in the phenomena
of the variable stars would be delighted to have
an opportunity to witness some of your experi-
ments with stellar light radiations.

There is a ~~rather~~ ^{but little explored} ~~periodic~~ ^{periodicity} in
the times of Algol's minima, showing that its
time of variation is itself variable; and it becomes
very desirable, to attach these spots with a nicety
not permitted by bare eye comparisons of the light.
Could we discover the law of ^{return of} the minute changes
in Algol's brilliancy, it would do much toward
settling the question of their cause. For example

the interference of an opaque body, and its size relatively to the star, possibly even an approximation to the inclination of its orbit, could be determined upon knowing the precise degree and order of the stellar fluctuations. It would be a great matter merely to demonstrate the existence of a non-luminous body sufficiently vast to obscure the light of the star it attends.

Excuse this encroachment upon your time, but I have hoped thereby to give its undue reason for my former inquiry as to excite your own interest in this particular. I have considered the applicability of Mr. Clarke's Radiometer to these investigations but I find it is not nearly sensitive enough. I had some talk with Prof. Barker on this matter a year or two ago.

Yours sincerely W. Curtis Taylor

Phila 75th St
Wm Curtis Taylor
recd Sept 20. 78

Philadelphia
Sept 7, 1878

Dear Sir:

Your favor of yesterday recd and noted. I understand, or at least can guess at, your preoccupations, and only write now to say that should the time come when every thing is ready for your experiments with the telescope in daylight, and heliograph, if not lacking, I would gladly furnish mine in such a cause, and let it remain with you a month or two. It is, for its size, a very fine one of 4 1/2 in

Aperture and as the focal length is but
64 in. it gives a great deal of light for
a portable telescope.

Very respectfully

Wm. Austin Taylor

Office of
Albion Company,

17 Exchange Street, P. O. Lock Box 241.

Providence, R. I. 7th mo. 7 1878

Respected Friends:

Thomas A Edison

Having seen accounts
of thy instrument (Saccmeter) for
measuring heat I am very desirous
of having the benefit of it in some
investigations I am making on
the matter of friction. Will thou be
kind enough to inform me how
I can learn its construction and if
I may be allowed to use it provided
it is patented and upon what terms
I enclose Envelope

Thy Respx Jonathan Chase

Chicago - Sept 12. '78
#19 - 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ sh.

Wm A Edison Esq,

Dear Sir,

In the "Physical Physiological Researches on the
Dynamics of Magnetism, Electricity &c" by (Reichenbach, Translation by
Arthur von London S/1, (Baillière 219, South St London, & 159 N. 4th St N.Y.)
p. 27. it is claimed that an isolated silver plate subjected to influence
of an open magnet in darkness when "taken out in darkness and
exposed to mercurial vapor, exhibited the full effect of the light which
it had received, over the entire surface. It was clear from this that
unless other causes are capable of affecting the photographic plate after
considerable time, it, in fact, must be light real, though weak and acting
not slowly which issues from the magnet."

Again p. 28. "The magnetic light emitted no heat; at least none
appreciable by our most delicate instruments. Directed on to a Nobili's
Thermoscope, I could not detect any movement of the astatic needle
of the differential galvanometer, even after a lengthened trial."

It has occurred to me that here might be a test for the
"fascimeter". Upon advising with my friend Prof Colden, I have
ventured to call your attention to the matter, with the thought that

you may possibly consider it of sufficient importance to give it attention.
The considerations may be suggestive to your mind for investigations
as to the general properties of magnets and crystals and the true
nature of light.

Yours very truly

Prothman

Dear Mr. [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]
[unclear] [unclear] [unclear] [unclear]

Cherry Hill N. J.
Dec 27/90
MS. A. 9. 2. 1. 1. 1.

Homburg Sept 14, 78
Capt John to Gunner

And Sept 20 78

Homburg v. S. Höhe
Germany 14. 9. 78

Mr. Edison

My dear Sir!

as, thus, my dear friend,
John Haven Egan of Fort Washington
Highth, N. Y. City, I get your ad-
dress, with your letter, so I shoot at you
— plump! And being the "Champion" of
American Breech-loading Inventions, &
shooters — now in '56 — I hope to "make
the Bull's eye."

In the first place, let me give
you my congratulations, heartily, for
your numerous and useful inventions.
They (inventions) are Our "forts": you are
no 1. now — as I was, in my ad & class
of '47. I am nearly twice your age, but
I "nail my last" (how) to you.

I thought I would not write to you,
having seen your wrangle with Mr. Haggen.

But as ~~we~~ we are not on the same "track", we cannot collide. It is a matter of your favor, only, that I will ask of you now.

I have "theorized" that there are at least six - perhaps more - of such hot stars (invisible, as "Thermy" says to me) surrounding the earth; at about 90° - if more than six, then at less - angle from each other; the greater 2, being near the South Pole & North Pole respectively. Is that true, by your Tasimeter? If you will answer that, I - a retired Captain, with wife & two boys - will be spared the "50 or 60¢" for a Tasimeter. (Of course you cannot see the South Pole heat - given from Meade Park.)

Prof. Tyndall set me off in this direction; somewhere in the '60's. From the roof of the Royal Institution he turned his sublimated thermometer on the full moon, & noted the Galvanometer there he turned it upon a blank space in the heavens, & noted again. It told him that the Moon-at-full was colder than space; that is, than -50° . He told the public, just what his instrument told him - but was "knocked ^{all} of a heap" by it. And now you with your Tasimeter, and I with my Thermy - both American - will smooth out the Royal English Philosopher to a reasonable plane, again, I hope, soon.

I hope you will be so kind as to write me & tell me the calulation (on the absolute - for there I can find the "relative" myself) positions of all such points which your Tasimeter has ^{told} - or shall tell - you of. And also the relative intensities of their heats? Please do so?

Thermy has been my "speciality", ever since I was turned out of the Army, in ~~the~~ Nov. 1. '61.

I wrote Lord Rosse's Professor, on 11. 7. '75, for these knowledge - but was unanswered. I cultivated the acquaintance of Lord Rie's wife - Lady Rosse, last summer, in order to get (having ^{seen} her note of introduction, but if you will be so kind as to answer these questions, I shall not need it, & gladly!

Most Respectfully, my dear Sir! Geo. Chas. Lyman
Capt. U.S. Army.

OFFICE OF THE

Scientific American,

MUNN & CO., Editors and Proprietors.

No. 37 Park Row,

O. S. MERRILL

& SONS

New York, Nov 24 1878

Prof. T. A. Edison

Dear Sir,

Can you loan us
the cuts of your new Micro-Tasimeter?

Respy yours

m/c



Indiana Asbury University, Greencastle, Ind.

ALEXANDER MARTIN, D. D., LL. D., PRESIDENT.

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Professor of Zoology, Botany and Physics.

Dec 13th 1875

My Dear Sir:-

I write to ask whether you have turned
your telescope towards the planets Jupiter and
Saturn? I suspect that said planets
are not hot bodies, as suggested by Prof. Proctor,
but that the only heat which they may
be found to send earthward, is derived
from the sun, and comes "second hand"
by reflection from their cloud like envelopes -

The determination of that question is one
of great importance, at this time, as will be
seen in the sequel - If you have not yet
tested these planets, - Jupiter especially - will
you have the kindness - "for the sake of sound"
- to make the test, as soon as convenient, and
send me the result, and your conclusions -

"Edison" Mendelevsky.

Very respectfully yours,
Joseph Timbley

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

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Menlo Park, N. J.,

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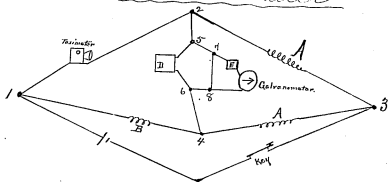
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Directions for setting up and adjusting The Tasimeter



To set up the instrument the following method is used. The Galvanometer giving the best results is Thomson's low resistance reflecting. A resistance E of 2 ohms is placed in the same wire. Across the ends of this resistance a short wire is placed almost completely short-circuiting the Galvanometer. A second resistance coil F plugged to no resistance is also placed around the galvanometer between the points 5 & 6. The Tasimeter in one branch of a bridge having 10 ohms in A and 20 ohms in B . The battery is connected through a key. One cellophane being used at first. The spot of light from the Galvanometer being brought to the zero point the

Galvanometer being as sensitive as possible the key is touched shortly and lightly as possible in order to make a contact. The spot should then be made to start to the left by the proper placing of the wires on the galvanometer. Then change the resistance in B to 3 ohms. Touch the Key, if the spot travels to the right, turn the screw of the Tasimeter to the left. If to the left turn it to the right. As a balance is obtained the spot may be thought of as attached to the screw. After the spot remains on the scale. When the key is closed continually, the circuit breaker on the key may be closed. The spot should then be brought as near to zero as possible and the plugs taken out of II and the spot kept at zero. Then the plugs may be put back in II and the wire between 7 & 8. Unmoved. Again the plugs may be removed from II and afterwards put in E. If great delicacy is required two or three calland coils may be put on the circuit. Then the rest of the hand will plainly be shown from a distance of 30 feet. The Tasimeter may be placed in a case of tin having two air spaces filled with hair. The screw may be turned by a wooden rod reaching through the case.

Micro-thermo-meter Extasimeter
Micro-thermo-scope
Thermo-micro-meter
Thermo-micro-scope

Carbo-electro-thermopile
Carbon Electrothermopile

Electro-synthe-meter
suppr

Carbon Electric thermometer

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Correspondence, some by Edison; memoranda, agreements, accounts, bills, receipts.

Not selected: duplicate copies of correspondence.

T.A.E.

My Larry 4/78

When will you be in -
I will be with you as to
English affairs -
We counsel for S. J. K. has called
upon me + stated he had sent
a letter to you.
I also have a letter myself from
S. J. K. -
Yours J.C.R.

J. C. REIFF,

No. 52 BROADWAY,

New York, Larry 5th 1878

Edison.

When you desire anything
done, you expect everyone to run jump
+ nothing so easily can satisfy your
impatience, but my dear fellow you forget
that when any part is due to my hand
it is of all impediment, you delay
in that manner -

If you don't desire I had the
milk against A. O. P. G. + domestic,
either now, and showed him it -
He cannot push them when he is
compelled back from of them as to
delay on your side -

He has been writing telegraphing
you - you have been in town, I hear
but you have neither called upon
him or me.

Sometimes there are joint duties and
responsibilities -
Yours J.C. Reiff

Articles of Agreement additional to
the agreement between Thomas Alva Edison,
George Bartlett Prescott, and Gerritt Smith,
dated May 31st 1877. relative to English Patents
N^o 384 dated February 2^d 1875. and N^o 197 dated
Jan. 15th 1877.

For the convenience of transacting the
business connected with the before mentioned
agreement, and to the end that the various
interests of the parties thereto shall be vested
in trust, in a suitable Trustee who is not
personally interested therein, the entire rights
in the Letters Patent named, have this day
been assigned to William Orton, and he,
having and claiming no personal interest of
any kind therein, hereby accepts and holds
the same in trust for the other parties to
the said agreement in the proportions therein
named, and he agrees to carry out the di-
rections of the parties in interest according
to the terms of the before mentioned agree-
ment.

In Witness whereof the parties to these
presents have set their signatures and
seals this twelfth day of January 1878.

Signed and Sealed in
the presence of

Wm. Orton
Thomas A. Edison
George B. Prescott
Gerritt Smith

Thomas Edison Jan 14 1878

Call at the office
tomorrow afternoon without
fail and oblige

George Morris

206 Broadway

Room 99

Ch. M.

Jan'y 16 1878
Thomas A. Edison Esq
Dear Sir

to-morrow we have got to serve
the reply in the Domestic suit and
got to put them on the Calendar.
George Harris
200 Broadway
N.Y.

Office of Foster & Thomson,

(Attorneys & Counsellors at Law)

69 WALL STREET

P. O. BOX 1354.

New York Jan 18 1878

Thomas A Edison Esq
Mento Park
New Jersey

Dear Sir

You will remember that
sometime since we applied to
you in behalf of Messrs Fleming &
Puleston for execution of an assign-
ment of Patent to them, to which
they consider themselves entitled
under agreement made Sept 2
1873 Between yourself, Messrs
Harrington and Reiff, Messrs Smith

Fleming & Co. and Messrs Fleming and
Puleston, Trustees, in which contract
it is provided that the Trustees are
to receive transfer of certain
"inventions, patent rights and
"privileges as well British as Foreign
"and as well existing as future to
be communicated to our clients
the fact of your desiring to ex-
-cuse the instrument, but we
also think it desirable in their
behalf to write you cautioning
against your signing any instru-
-ment or instruments which
might be claimed by others to
affect the letters patent or other

rights claimed by our clients, as such
course pending the claim so made
would only tend to complicate
and trouble or might prove very
injurious and ground for large
damages or other remedy -

We think in view of the contract
so held by our contract clients
it might be desirable that we
have a personal interview and
we would be obliged if you
will kindly call in upon us
when you may find a few
moments of opportunity.

It appears to us that it would be
quite unfortunate if the European

patents should get into complication
and litigation, and that such
result would be quite prejudi-
-cial to your interests.

Yours truly

John Thomson

John Thomson
June 13 1876
Cincinnati

GEORGE MORRIS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
DE A. DE DUMAS.

NEW YORK,

July 19 1878

Recd from J. A. Edison twenty
three dollars fees in case of
J. A. Edison vs The Domestic Tel
Co.

George Morris

J. C. Keuff &

N.Y. Cherry 1877

Yours of 20th instant is placed in my hands just as I am about leaving my office for about a fortnight.

As an evidence of the correctness of your assumption, and of the sincerity of my previous statement that this Company desire to test every alleged improvement in Filigrahy, I will say that we have just completed at considerable Expense the most perfect automatic apparatus (at least it is alleged to be) that has ever been made which has been constructed under the immediate supervision of Mr. D. H. Craig, and Messrs. Foote & Randall, and it is intended to make with this apparatus a thorough test of automatic Filigrahy upon the plan of the gentlemen above named. Now it is possible, and indeed quite probable that this test may serve for that which you suggest. But at all events, it will hardly be practicable for us to carry on two sets of tests at the same time, and therefore, without expressing any opinion as to which of the two I deemed to be expedient for us to take up first, we are compelled to postpone yours, because of the

obligation we are under to first
inform the other.

Very truly Yours
(Signed) Wm. H. H. H.

My dear Sir,

I send you the foregoing
own information. I have said not a word
barring no about the correspondence.
The ceiling want to keep your eyes open.
Do you think you have been quite as
by your usual vigilance in letting D.C.
& J.P.R. get much hold, when we had
such fearful interests at stake.

I remember I told you many
months ago this was going on, but you did
not lay much stress upon it.
There you have much power & but these
it, you certainly don't trust yourself, &
cannot overcome such obstacles
alone.

Should tell you -
then can I do so?

Yours
J. H.

Confidential

N.Y. Jan'y 28/78

My dear S.A.E.

I am persuaded that
about all you will get from me
for your current efforts. will be the "100"
for work -

Even if O feels kindly personally, he will
gladly await of every assault made by
Therks, Percott, Ashby, Pke, Smith, Per, & Little
your claims -

Recollect you make a fatal mistake
in bringing over any partially completed
thing - they simply tear it to pieces
& experiment upon you.

The simple furnished brain for them
& they are your instigators for, unless
you fill their pockets without consideration
I would you seriously consider the what
will be needed there you turn in on
Automatic in every where including
the Roman letter & get it afloat -

I have never asked to work for
nothing, nor have I tried to profit at your expense.

a strange turn in the wheel which is about to
take place.

you have in your hands you have in
your hands you have in your hands

J. C. REIFF.

No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, Febry 12th 1878

My Dear Edison I inclose copy
of the S. F. & G. agreement.
To show that the whole intent was
to pay the experimental cost, only refer
to last clause where S. F. & G. were
to pay as much as \$3000 for them to
of cost of Remain.
Be careful of this copy as it is all
I have —

Be clary what you do @ 188.
An entire revolution is working &
threatened — We may retire voluntarily
seek other fields & pasture new.
I think not do to ourselves — Can tell you
more when I see you

J. C. R.

Recd in
 1878
 4 P.M. Sharp time Feb 16
 Truly
 George Norris

OFFICE OF
 Foster & Thomson
 Attorneys & Counsellors at Law
 69 WALL STREET.

P.O. BOX 1354.

New York, Feb 12 1878

Dear Sir

We duly received your
 Note but are disappointed
 at not having received
 the visit we were led
 by you to expect.

We will feel obliged if
 you will inform us by
 letter, what we expected
 to hear from you orally,
 to whom you executed
 the assignment mentioned

Foster & Thomson
 Feb 12 1878
 by you. We suppose there
 can be no secret about
 a matter of so much
 importance, and in
 respect of which my
 clients are so much
 interested.

Yours truly
 Foster & Thomson

J. R. Edison
 60 West Park

GEORGE NORRIS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
108 & 110 Broadway.

Edison

as

A. P. L. Co

NEW YORK,

July 16th 1878

Receipt from Thomas Edison
Twenty-Dollars as per in
above case

George Norris

J. C. REIFF.

No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, Feb 20th 1878

Dear

Your note read. I have made
a hurried copy of my letter to S. H. Co.
I presumed you will fully approve it -
I certainly have not been selfish in my
language there aimed to credit, shield
& benefit both your pocket & good name
little man's place in Washington -

You know he can't write much & has been
unable to go down, but shall do so, unless
he returns within a few days -

I have prepared a lot of important
questions for S. H. & submitted them to Morris

You should review them & add to them -

I gather this one to help draw the
affidavit, which will be sent you.

A genuine effort has been made to break
up the proslavery rump - that is what
the Bendish Bill means ^{as stated} & represents -

There is going to be some of the present
You are safer in your laboratory, until you
can discern the course of the storm -

You are not suffering & can put off & wait 9.15 P.M. may
be sent to the office & J.C.R. may be used in unexpected

I am sure you will be very kind to send me a copy of the letter to S. H. Co. & the affidavit. I am sure you will be very kind to send me a copy of the letter to S. H. Co. & the affidavit.

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J. C. REIFF.

No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, Friday 12th 1878

Messrs. Smith, Plessing & Co. London.

Dear Sirs,

Yours of recd.

has been kind to your spirit of co-operation and
 confirmation. I am not a doubt that the present is most
 appropriate for such negotiation and the P.O. Septent.
 as will reimburse all previous outlay in addition
 to some return for delay & disappointment.
 I should you will now put you shoulder to the
 wheel & will get out of the slough
 in the end in my own school heavily as to
 what you need.

The story of the Quadrangle was duly provided
 to the appropriate
 to this position I beg to state that he has constantly
 felt he was not bound to include the Quadrangle
 in the program arrangement, although I doubt
 if the original programme had been carried
 out with the P.O. Septent. he would have made
 a very favorable arrangement with all his
 intentions might have remained associated
 together. There is a large amount of money

LAWYER'S OFFICE

time effort has been expended it of course
 under any circumstances special
 compensation would have been due.
 I had no doubt I was included in an oral
 contract with United States, but he raised
 the question having secured himself, perhaps
 in making an agreement with ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 (which really means the Western Union Telegraph)
 to have some compeller to transport ^{any} ~~any~~
 cable, pending litigation against ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 (how has certain one rights in ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 the honor has not in the slightest degree
 affected my personal relations with the ~~United States~~
 He has always fully recognized the moral
 obligation. A lead every effort has been made in
 profiting for the general benefit ~~of the~~ ^{of the} ~~United States~~
 Foreign Patent, but has sympathized with ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 in the feeling that you had abandoned ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 having failed to secure immediate ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 result.

J. C. Smith
 Dec 24, 1898

However, we must all recognize the ~~United States~~
 situation. The present value is in the automatic
 system with the improvements ~~United States~~
 constantly and of the P. O. Defiant has ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 adopted it. I have ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~
 arrangement with compensation in future ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~United States~~

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very happy the more French improvements by adaptation.
 I have now address a letter to La. Wm. Thomson
 & I hope you he will doubtless expand & agree
 with any professional endorsement of the Automatic
 system that his great name can give.
 More than a year since I sent a copy of
 my correspondence with him, based on a personal
 conversation with him here before leaving the
 country after the Centennial.
 As you will remark the & Co. authorities
 must be quite aware that the only Quadruplex
 system either here or in Europe is Edison's.
 I understand Prof. Siemens lately needed
 Edison to take the first inventor of a practical
 Quadruplex.
 But there is the complication with Prescott.
 Thomas Lafford is readily affixed for
 because he has developed nothing as yet of
 special value in Quadruplex, although he may
 have done in Duplex.
 I have not much hope that circumstances
 may shake themselves as that having one to
 think about. I certainly shall have no stone

J. C. REIFF.

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ing to fix the price for such improvements by arbitration.
 Upon this address a letter to Dr. Wm. Thomson
 at Glasgow he will doubtless expand at once
 with any professional endorsement of the Automatic
 system that his great name can give.

More than a year since I sent him copies of
 my correspondence with him, based on a formal
 communication with him here before leaving this
 country after the Centennial.

As you will remark, the R.C. authorities
 must be quite aware that the only Quadriplex
 that exists here or in Europe is Edison's,
 and that understands Prof. Siemens lately, indeed
 before the first exhibit of a practical
 Quadriplex.

But there is the complication with Prescott.
 Spencer Lathrop is readily appeased and
 because he has described nothing as yet of
 special value in Quadriplex, that he may
 have done in Duplex.

It should not unduly hope that circumstances
 may so shape themselves as that Harrison can be
 brought about. I certainly shall learn no more

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maintained, personally laid in the result.
 Under any circumstances, or shall find no
 factions obstruction from Edison, although
 he is now so involved legally with Prescott
 & Smith, that he may be utterly helpless
 for anything but let matters take care
 of ^{their course} ~~themselves~~.
 Assuming the position you do to be in
 the present or friendly relation with
 influential parties, you can certainly
 avail of all your advantages.
 The insertion in cost register is Edison's.
 Smith is simply Prescott's aid & help
 & practically, whilst making ~~up~~ ^{for} ~~the~~
 thousand dollar expenses, it is ~~not~~
 Prescott a promising speculation.
 In Prescott Smith there is no ~~intended~~
 but ~~hard~~ ^{correspondence} with that Edison
 shall be fairly treated & properly
 compensated if ~~thermally~~ ^{thermally} necessary
 nothing. There should be ^{to} ~~no~~ ^{horror} ~~any~~ ^{for}
 all, even if the ~~Quadrupling~~ ^{itself} should ~~be~~
 no ~~least~~ ^{benefit} or its use by the ~~public~~
 can be utilized to more fully ~~realize~~ ^{realize}

J. C. REIFF.

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New York, _____ 1877

negotiate the Automatic.

The Roman letter system can soon follow, for you shall happily be able to compromise with Percott, so that legal & equitable claims shall all be harmonized, so much the better. I shared the P.O. Official under the peace treaty, apply the Automatic system, such additions would soon follow by Edison, that they would wonder why they ever tampered with either the Duplex or Quadruplex, as applied to magnetic telegraphy. The Quadruplex can be so applied to Automatic, as to allow two continuous streams of transmission at a high rate of speed, possibly equally in practical result. 20 to 30 1st class Morse wires.

Respectfully,
Yours Obedt Servt.
J. C. Reiff

Mr. Dickey 21/7/6
(Robert Thomas T.)
Z.A.E. It is reported that
J. J. E. has been married
tailed for Europe yesterday.
Are the rats leaving the
Sinking Ship? J.C.

2 Exchange Court

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26 Dec 1878

J. A. Soliman Esq

Dear Sir

My Bell says the
B. 250 was admitted by them to
be correct. And they would have
paid it to me but they were
informed by you that you had settled
it. You gave them my rec^d in
full and a formal deed of
release by me of all claims
under my hand and seal.
which they required on the neg-
-otiation between you & them.

The amount due by you to
me is 700 & interest as you
will see by the Memorandum
Rescinded 17th Jan 1879

J. M. Riggs

M Russell's Bill against The Domestic
Telegraph Co. \$ 25

Mr Edison proposed to pay it and
collect the amount from the Co.
Mr Edison has paid M Russell
on account \$ 25.

M Russell accounted on 24th June
to Mr's Note for \$25 & dated 6th 76
payable six months after date
and gave M Edison 375 Cash

Mr Edison is to pay balance of the
Bill \$ 25, viz:
$$\begin{array}{r} 75 \\ \underline{25} \\ 100 \end{array}$$

and balance at 7 per cent for the six
months

And M Edison endorsed the Note

R. Riccio's Note \$25	Pay to	375
E. Riccio	Has P. A.	25
		$\underline{350}$
		250
		$\underline{100}$

Out on ^N 345 from 24th June 1964
9th Oct. 1976 \$ 7.40.

" \$ 100 from 9th Oct. 1976
26th Feb. 1978 100

\$ 17.40

NY Feby 26/98
I go to Phila this Eong
in connection with the
Proctor telegraph scheme
JCR

NY Feby 27/98
Have just ret'd -
Had very satisfactory
interview. My general plan
that you saw in manuscript is
favourably commented on.
I spoke for you & myself as no actual.
JCR

OFFICE OF
TOSTER & THOMPSON
ATTORNEYS & COUNSELLORS AT LAW
88 WALL STREET.

P.O. BOX 1354.

New York, Feb 28 1878

Dear Sir

Under the power
of Attorney granted by
you to Messrs Fleming
and Paleston they have
in your behalf executed
and delivered an in-
strument of which
we herewith enclose
you a copy

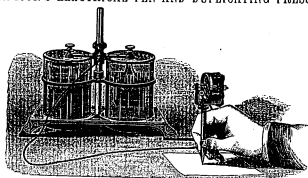
^{Voluntary Assignment}
Please acknowledge of
the same. It has been
registered at the great
Seal Patent office
The Trustees were very
carefully advised that
the Patent fell within
and was included in
the terms of the Agree-
ment before they ex-
ecuted the assignment.

Yours truly

T. A. Edison
J. A. Thomson
Mento Park N. J.

EDISON'S ELECTRICAL PEN AND DUPLICATING PRESS.

(Feb)



CHAS. BATELOR, General Agent for Foreign Countries.
P. O. Box 9207.

Copy

New York

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For the & Thomas Gents. There was no account about
it. Several months ago I transferred the patent to
Geo B Prescott Gerrit Smith & William Oster
lastly. I have a small investment in it but too
small to worry over its loss. Considering that
you forward. have a valid contract (wherein
I receive the consideration) for the Auto &
~~Cable~~ system system & option on Cable
2 system that I understand now would be
in advance of them time I think it
will not pay them to set up the claim.
They do rather give rise to bad feeling
& prevent the perfect operation of the system.

Yours truly
T M Edison

file my rack off.
Please bring the S. 7 & Co
contract with you when
you next come in from
there and heard from you
sincerely
J.C.R.

Dear Mr. file March 6, 1888.
Please call at my
office to morrow morning
before 12 M. We have
to get ready to try your
case - Most truly
George Norris

to Thomas A. Edison

Whereas Thomas A. Edison
of New York in the State of New
Jersey and George B. Prescott of the
City and County and State of New York
have obtained Letters Patent of the
Kingdom of Italy for certain improvements
and inventions in Quadruplex Telegraphy
which Letters Patent are numbered

Vols. - 4803, 2940 and are owned by the
said Thomas A. Edison and George
B. Prescott, and whereas Andrea Fortana
of the City, County and State of New York
is desirous of purchasing the said Letters
Patent, and this agreement witnessed
that the said Thomas A. Edison and
George B. Prescott in consideration of
the sum of one dollar paid to them the
said Thomas A. Edison and George B.
Prescott by the said Andrea Fortana the
receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged
do hereby agree to sell assign transfer and
deliver to the said Andrea Fortana
all their and each of their right title and
interest of in and to the said Letters
Patent issued to them the said Thomas
A. Edison and George B. Prescott by
the Italian Government for inventions in
Quadruplex Telegraphy together with one

complete set of Quadryplex Apparatus
for the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars.
in American currency, at any time that
the said Andrew Fortnaud may demand
the assignment of said Letters Patent
and delivery of said set of Quadryplex
Apparatus within six months from the
date of this agreement; And if the said
Fortnaud does not demand such assignment
and offer the consideration therefor as
above mentioned within six months from
the date hereof then this agreement is
to be null and void and of no effect
whatsoever.

Dated New York July 9th 1877

Thos A Edison
Geo B. Prescott
(Andrew Fortnaud)

The time to perform the conditions of the
above written contract is hereby extended
to July first eight hundred and seventy
eight.

Dated New York March 8th 1878

Thos A Edison
Geo B. Prescott
(Andrew Fortnaud)

Y. P. 7. 1881

Newark March 8th 1881

J. A. Edison

Egg

Dear Sir

The
case of Gould against you
is set down to be tried before
the referee on Thursday of next
week 14th inst. at 10 A.M.
Please be on hand with your
books, papers witnesses &
for trial at that time.

Come to my office, first
and we will go to the place
together - Do not forget, it is
they will take judgment against
you & only

A. Manners

24th Market St.

GEORGE NORRIS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
10 & 110 Broadway.

NEW YORK, March 9 1878

Thomas Edison Esq

My dear Sir

Please call at office
to day so that we may know
what we can give on
your case - I had to adjourn
your case yesterday because
you did not come in when
requested a week ago.

Most truly

George Norris

NY mch 11/98

The matter being presented by
now must either be attended to
or abandoned. I have done all I can
I cannot do more without facts
which you alone can give.
I wrote for you again on Saturday
I sent note to W. M. Childs. Unfortunately time
is passing fast. I am partly and compelled to make
delay. I have skinned not to. J. C.

Hand of a Right - 11/11/98

Newark March 12' 1898

Dear Sir Will you be on hand
on Thursday ^(14th) by Ten O'clock
Answer & oblige
A. Manners

Newark March 13' 1898

Yours is at hand, in reply say I will postpone
your cause if possible, but it has been
postponed so long that I am afraid it cannot
be done any longer, I will do the best I can
and if you ~~cannot~~ cannot give your
matter proper attention, you must find
refault with one of judgment goes against
you - you

A. Manners
240 Market St

W. M. Childs

a Memo
mar 14, 1878
Autograph

File auto

put down in book
If could trial 25th march
Sue - books & Witness

Newark March 14th 1878

T. A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir,

Your cause
with Gould was called by the
Referee this morning - You did
not appear and the plaintiffs
would not consent to an
adjournment - But after a
considerable of difficulty - I
got the Referee to consent, to
hear the evidence on the part of
the plaintiffs and then to grant
an adjournment, so as to give
you an opportunity to prove your
side of the case. This was done.
The plaintiffs have now put in
their evidence, and his witnesses
have been cross-examined.
The case ~~was~~ was then adjourned
until Monday the 25th day of

March 1878 at 10. A.M. at which
time it will be necessary for you
to be here with your witnesses
or else the ~~just~~ referee will then
give judgment against you
upon the evidence produced by
the plaintiffs - The time to which
it is adjourned will give you
ample opportunity to get your
witnesses ready, and if you do not
put in appearance at that
time it is no fault of mine.
Remember March 25th 1878 at 10. A.
M. Sharp. Let me hear from
you relative thereto.

Respectfully Yours

A. C. Manners

J. C. REIFF.

No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, McL 15th 1878

Dear Edison.

I saw Morgan.

He says if I have a proposition
for ~~the~~ ^{the} ~~university~~ ^{university} submit it in writing.
I will therefore submit the paper.

Respectfully,
J. C. Reiff

He don't exactly seem to comprehend
clearly what it is. He said did not
even understand the ~~pro~~ ^{pro} ~~cost~~ ^{cost}
claimed for Quad.

He (M) says they will soon be using a
little thing that will displace Quadruplex.
What is he referring to?

Are they doing anything with Craig
for R. Auto.

Are certain parties advising me.

I believe you have it in your power to
get W. V. & take our Auto & everything
if you would only put your foot down & say
it must be done. They are afraid of you &
are constantly trying to cure you. What if I
sometimes think you are afraid of them instead
of being absolutely independent of them ^{now}
what are you doing with the telephone? & for

I have not yet been able
to lay my hands on the
Domestic of, but will find
than I have to be more
search for the same
can paper also, about 1840
Europe - and then in the West

ny mch 19/78

Dear P. A. E.

Argument came on
in Washington today & court
granted order against Prescott
as he is accomplice to Kaplan
rauscher. However, also caught
O there 1st personal service
upon him on 4/20/78.
We will try to make it worse
now, we will want to have them there
but that is just money in our pocket.

Dear Sir

at some time Mch 20/78
earlier to our room

Please call at Office to
Morrow March 21. at the office
noon day between 3 & 5 P.M.
I want you to deliver to
same persons, to do just
fine - Truly George Morris

Newark March 21/78

Dear Sir I write to you that your
cause was adjourned until Monday
next (3rd inst) at 10. I tell you
be on hand in time with your
witnesses - you had better be if you
want to save yourself - Let me
hear from you by return mail
whether you will be on hand
Geo. A. Mannero
240 Market St.

March 22/78

Williams a Collier

Dear Sir

Cause in to-morrow
without fail I have got to see
you & hope

Yours &c

George Morris
206 Broadway

Dear Sir

March 26/78

Please call at Office
to Morrow Evening as I
desire to see you before
you settle your debts -
Most Truly George Morris

Newark, March 27/8

T. A. Edison Esq

Dear Sir,

According to your request I have made to Mr Gould your proposition for settlement. But they rejected it. The smallest amount I can get them to accept is three hundred dollars (\$300) in full for judgment claim, costs and give you a clear acquittance. Out of that amount they will be compelled to pay their Lawyer fifty dollars for costs on their part of the suit (for in a settlement like this each party has pay his own costs), besides their Lawyer's fee and they will not have much left. If you will accept their proposition, and desire to settle for at their figures,

and as I have costs to pay on our
side of the house you must send
me one fifty dollars in addition
out of which I will pay our costs,
and keep the balance whatever it
may be for my services. In
other words you send me three
hundred & fifty dollars, and I
will settle with them, pay
expenses, & dismiss the cause
from the Court calendar,
and send you a clear acquittance
from the beginning of the world
to the day of the date thereof - I
tried to convince them that
you were not worth a dam, and
if they got judgment, they would
never get a cent - but I could
not make it work - At first
they were not willing to accept a
cent less than \$350 for their portion
but I finally got them down \$50

they thereby agreeing to take \$300 -
And they are willing to take that
only in case it is settled up at
once, they say they are willing to
accept it now - but will not
agree to do it in one month from
now - As for your pecuniary
interest is concerned, your time
and the impracticability of your
getting your witnesses here
when you want them, it might
be cheaper for you to settle, if that
you alone are the judge, but you
had better either settle it, or else
conclude to take time to attend
to the matter when you are wanted,
Now sir, if you conclude to settle
please send me the \$350 at
once and I will adjust the
thing finally - pay expenses and
myself, and ~~finally~~ ~~you~~ ~~is~~
get the cause off the list and

^{miss}
A. Mammors
Mar 27. 78

furnish you with the necessary
vouchers, and thereby give you
no further anxiety about it.
If done please do it at once, lest
they may fly the track. Take
time to answer this and let me
know what you are going to do
oblige

Yours

A. Mammors
240 Market St
Newark

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Answer

Anwar and say I will
do it, ask them if they will
take my note for 80 days
if not I will raise cash money
and pay about next Monday
Edw

Form 80.
THE ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY,
General Office,
145 BROADWAY, N. Y.

March 28th 1878.

Thos. A. Edison, Esq.
Mento Park, N. J.

My dear Sir:

I presented to-day to
our Executive Committee, the subject
of your claims against the Atlantic
& Pacific and Domestic Telegraph Co.
The committee were disposed to
accept my recommendation, but desired
before giving me authority to act, that
a definite understanding be had
relative to the Domestic claim. I
suggest, therefore, that you let Mr.
Butchelder come over at his early
convenience, and review ~~with~~ the
account with Mr. Hadden and myself,
when I am confident we shall be
able to arrive at a satisfactory result.
I enclose herewith a letter which
came to our office addressed to you to-day.

Very truly yours,

A. B. Chandler

W B Prescott
March 28, 1878

New York March 28, 1878

T. A. Edison Esq

Syr

Yours of yesterday
received. I will pay
the French & Italian
annuities.

Yours truly
Geo B. Prescott

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We are to receive + pay by
your order of March 28

George Washington

Newark March 30/78

T. A. Edison Esq,

Dear Sir,

The referee
has fixed Saturday next (April
6th) for the further hearing of
your cause with Coulter -
unless it is previously settled.
And as you have concluded to
accept their proposition and
settle it, I would advise you to
have the money here by Thursday
at the farthest, so that I can
settle it by that time - and
have any further costs or outlay.
Let me hear from you by return
mail or else

Yours

A. Mammoro
240 Market St
Newark, N. J.

Geo. Nor vs
Alone 1. 78
Giles
Barnes 1884

Edison
vs
Samuel Co }
April 1, 1878

Edison
your case is
set for trial Wednesday
of this week at 2 P.M.
So came into office
Tuesday evening between
3 & 4 P.M. when we
will go and settle it.
No doubt fail -
Most truly
Gerrit Norris

GEORGE NORRIS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
100 N. 3RD STREET.

Edison
vs
Domestic }

NEW YORK, April 4th 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq
Dear Sir

I have adjourned the above
case until Saturday April 6 at 2 P.M.

Please call at office Saturday morning. It
is absolutely necessary for you to come in
Saturday morning. We either want to
settle or go on and fight the Company

Yours &c

George Norris
L

Encl. New York

Lo TA Edison

Have just received notice of
postponement of case till
Saturday April 6 at 2 pm
in meantime if you can tell
Batchelor come ~~over~~ ~~over~~ over
for an hour or two. Think it

would be well, the sooner this
matter is disposed of the better
It may get as others have so
we cannot manage it

Sig

Chandler

Recd by Batchelor

Newark April 4th 1878

Dear Sir

I have not seen or heard from you to day as I expected I should. I have already informed you that the day fixed for hearing was Saturday of this week. And you must either send me the necessary evil before that is come fully prepared to go ahead, or you know what will follow. It is not fair to let me hear from you

Yours
A. Manners

Newark, N. J., April 6, 1878

Received from Thos. A. Edwin

Three Hundred — — Dollars.

by check of Chas. Patchen which when paid, pays in full the sum of \$200 on loan made with Hamilton

and in payment of the C. F. & C. E. HILL, ATTYS.

to some, \$100.00

\$200

Per *E. H.*

THE ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY,
General Office,
146 BROADWAY, N. Y.

April 9th 1878.

Thos. A. Edison, Esq.;
Menlo Park, N. J.
My dear Sir:

I return herewith ~~the~~
memo. of lawyer Norris which you
handed me yesterday, with notations
in connection with his figures, showing,
as stated to me, the amounts which he
may properly charge as expenses of
your two suits, outside of counsel fees,
showing a reduction of \$70. from the
amounts noted by him. The matter
of counsel fees may, perhaps, be called
me of "fancy."

I have presented the subject
of ^{your claims} ~~both~~ to two members of our committee
informally, to-day. You are, I think,
aware of the position we are in, in
respect to money, a large amount being
due us by the Western Union Co. which
we cannot get; hence our committee feel
unusually inclined to part with a little

THE ATLANTIC & PACIFIC TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

General Office,
145 BROADWAY, N. Y.

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as possible. I am authorized to say, however, that, if you will settle with Norris, they will allow the bill of Russell, and authorize me to pay in cash \$1,500., instead of making you wait a month or two on the A.P. matter, and indefinitely on the Domestic matter — thus disposing entirely of the whole subject.

I have done the best I could for you in both cases, and can only say, if I were in your place, I would accept it. Please let me hear from you by Thursday.

Yours, truly,

A. W. B. Howard

Norris account

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auto the VP

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after 11- 75-15

Cash

20-20

Charges fees

62-53

Current fees 120-

183-

Election
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committee

leave on
July cal

Term fees 70-10

Cash before 21 23-15

after 11- 15-15

Essen of law 20-X

Term fees 20-X

Wid. Pension

two days 15-X

Attorney fees 25-20

Ref. conf. on 60

130-

Current fees - 100-

230

183

413

70

343-

GEORGE NORRIS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
300 & 302 Broadway.

Edison Edison

by
At-Laws

Summ. file April 11 1878
NEW YORK.

Received from Thomas A Edison
Two Hundred & twenty-five Dollars
in full Settlement of Charges
in above entitled actions

George Norris

[FROM GEORGE PRESCOTT]

New York, April 22nd, 1878.

George E. Gourand Esq.
Dear Sir,

I am in receipt of your favor of the 22nd inst, in relation to a proposed arrangement with Messrs Smith, Fleming & Co, with respect to the quadruplex patents issued in England to Mr Thomas A. Edison & myself, & which were held in trust by the late William Ostro. As your understanding of my conversation is incorrect in several particulars - I have thought it best to state specifically what we are willing to do, in order that the matter may be clearly understood.

Upon the payment to me of £500, or before the 1st of June 1878 - as a reimbursement of the cost of the English quadruplex patents, & of the expenditures made last autumn in the exploitation of the quadruplex in London & Liverpool, my associates & myself agree to convey to Messrs Smith, Fleming & Co, the option to purchase the English quadruplex patents belonging to us, for a royalty of £1000 per annum & ten per cent on the gross receipts above £2000 per annum, during the life of said patents. This option to remain open until

October 1st, 1878.

Should Messrs. Smith, Fleming & Co., not consummate the arrangement for acquiring the quadruplex patents, previous to October 1st, 1878, then the option to sell upon these terms shall cease, & Messrs. Smith, Fleming & Co., shall not be entitled to receive the whole or any part of the £500. paid by them for said option.

In case Messrs. Smith, Fleming & Co., should consummate the contemplated arrangement for acquiring the English quadruplex patents, we will then agree that they shall be entitled to receive one half of any revenue thereafter derived from the above mentioned inventions in other countries of Europe.

Yours Respectfully,

J. C. REIFF.

No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, Apr 27 1875

Dear Sir,

The demurrer of
Harry A. Edison to the
injunction writ was argued
by William Butler & Soren.
Presume we shall get a
decision within a few
weeks.

Whatever the real merits of the
Quadruplex, I am sick tired
of hearing the WCC Counsel
insist that you were in the
service of the WCC from July 75
to Aug 75 & that you committed
base fraud in registering claims
of patents & issue to H & E & also
answering against them when you
gave sworn facts to Jones.
How can they look you in the face
if you are the base scoundrel they always
slandered you in court. I cannot suppose

Amare you my Herald?

The demurrer of me to the
writ of injunction -
H & E
The names of the parties & the
may change things very materially -

Geo. B. Everett Esq.

Dear Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the above named matter. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to attend to the matter at present. I will endeavor to do all in my power to expedite the same. I have already written to the proper authorities and will continue to do so until the matter is settled. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours truly,
 J. B. [Signature]

I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the United States
Bank of New York and to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, very truly,
 J. M. Smith
 Secretary

April 23. 1878

Geo. B. Prescott, Esq.
Dear Sir

I am in receipt of your esteemed favor of this date in which you introduce several features which I do not remember to have been a part of either of the other conversation upon the subject, and I am afraid the new conditions you impose will render the arrangement wholly impracticable. As I am sailing tomorrow morning and only received your letter late this afternoon it will be impossible for me to see you again, but I shall hope that you will be able to reconsider the matter and direct it of the objections referred to which I would mention to me the short time you give them for deciding on } to the payment of £500. by June 1st. &

It will be within a week or ten days (P. 2) I shall time before I will be able to get the gentlemen together in London. Your ~~are~~ receiving 10% upon the gross return above (1) premium is a further consideration that I think you might well waive, the limitation to October 1st will I fear hardly allow time enough for concluding the agreement with the Pres Office

Your final clause does not seem to contemplate the leaving in their hands of the negotiating with other countries in Europe, a condition which I think should be essential to them as well as in your own best interests.

I shall hope to hear from you shortly after my arrival in London at my office 6 Lombard St. E.C. and sincerely trust that for the interest of all concerned you will make the terms in all respects as favorable to Messrs. Smith & Fleming Co. as possible.

I remain

Dear Sir

Yours

J. E. Howard.

My dear Sir April 27, 1878

Please call at my
Office Monday afternoon
as I have some information
that will be of advantage
to you - Most truly, G. Norris

GEORGE NORRIS,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
39 & 41 NASSAU.

NEW YORK, May 2nd 1878

Thomas Edison Esq

My dear Sir

I desire to see you
on Saturday Next. Because
I have a plan to show you
for your advantage. Do
not fail to come - Drop
a postal card for me
when you will be in
so that I can meet you

Most truly

George Norris

JEROME REDDING & CO.,
Manufacturers of
Telegraph Instruments,

ELECTRIC WATCH CLOCKS,
Bells, Annunciators, Burglar Alarms, Medical Batteries, etc.,

No. 30 HANOVER STREET,

Boston, May 9th 1876.

T. A. Edison, Esq.,
Albion Park,
N. J.

Dear Sir,
Yours of 8th inst.
is at hand.

Please find en-
closed bill which we think
is an exact copy of the
one we sent you at that
time -

Hoping this will be
satisfactory, we remain

Yours Truly,
Jerome Redding & Co.

TELEGRAPH
INSTRUMENTS, BATTERIES,
ELECTRIC BELLS, BURGLAR
ALARMS, ANNUNCIATORS,
WATCH CLOCKS,
MEDICAL BATTERIES,
Electric Gas Lighting Apparatus.
Jerome Redding. HANOVER STREET.

Boston, July 30th 1876.
Mr. T. A. Edison, Albion Park,
Jerome Redding & Co.,
30 HANOVER STREET.

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July 29
Aug. 9
122 1/2 Hours Labor,
Gas lamps,
Gas Cutting,
Spec.
Spanning,
Co. by Coach,
Paid Payment,

71.37	
1.50	
1.50	
1.25	
35	75.97
20	
50	70 -
	\$ 5.97

Monday P.M.

T.A.E. I will make a
copy of your Audrioi-
Gild content at home
this evening. Will hand
you the orig. if you
are up tomorrow, if
not will mail it.

You said that I
might show it to Mr
Lowrey. He is not down
today, is expected tomorrow.

I feel that he can
help you out not only

Wheeler Aug 4, 98
with A, but also A
W.C. when the time
comes - also that he
will suggest to me
as to the where with
to work the matter
up with manufacturing

If I did not
know that he is a
good true man to
my I should not
ask you to have a
talk with him before
making any new deal
with A. Yours D.C.
J. C. M.

Thursday P.M.
May 14/78

Friend Edison.

I enclose the
Child - Andrews Contract.

I made copy as you
requested, and it is
with Mrs. Lowrey.
as you said that
I might show it
to him. He will
be at home tomorrow
so if you wish to
tell him the rest
of the story you

can do so at some
early day.

^{Will} The great
point just now seems
to determine how to
find money for financing
Kenny's experiment, with
your or Ruff's applications
and to whom the
invention will belong
when done - You know
what I am driving at
is to have it yours
and Kenny's, that you
may sell it to

W.M.³ if they want
it, and will pay
what it is worth -

I send this
by Frank Macé as
better than the mail -

I don't see
how you can hope
to find a better man
than him on Phoenix
for Australia - Hope
you will make a
trade and both do
well. Yours
Miller

24th.

My May 24/77

Our long delay of cases in Ill. Cir
Court came up today & the judge
ruled the admission of evidence
proposed by both sides. I did object as
soon as he heard the argument.
The eloquence of both sides, however,
both parties must now answer & the
shall have by trial time and in
Washington. Pretty good day with
all this. I have waited nearly two
years to get the chance.
Tr. J. C. R.

16 ~~Essex~~
May 21. 78

Excuse from my reply as I am
so much occupied with my
business to do so.

Brooklyn May 21/78

Prof Edison,
Dear Sir.

Having taken a great
interest in your wonderful
inventions and having
experimented a little in
electricity I would like to
have you give me some
information in regards
to a few points which I
am not convinced if it
is not asking too much of
you when you are at leisure.
But I am connected with
3 different lines of which
one grounds at my place.
I cut my instruments out
at night and have a

lightning arrester attached
to one. Which is most
necessary to have the ar-
rester the one that grounds
there on the side - Is there
and danger from lightning
where a ground wire
runs under the carpet
and is there danger in sleeping
in a room where the wires
are.

By Complying with the
above request you will
Greatly Oblige

J. H. Edwards
Super S. Tel. Co.
Brooklyn P. Office

The American District Telegraph Co.

R. W. ANDREWS, President.
A. B. CORNELL, Vice-Pres. & Treas.
T. M. FOOTE, Sec'y.
20 V. P. & Man'g Director

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
699 BROADWAY.

G. B. HOTCHKISS, Sec. & Asst. Treas.
H. W. POPE, General Mgr.

*try & make
appointment as
early as possible*
Thomas A. Edison Esq. New York, May 24th 1878
Dear Sir

Referring to our conversation of yesterday. I would like to see you at your earliest convenience & make an appointment to go to Central Park and discuss with you what is to be done to make a combination of inventions for fac similar telegraphing a telegram, to meet you at the R.R. & South or W. W. will reach you at this office at any time. From this three five minutes conversation we had, I think if the system can be perfected as you suggested that I can arrange for the means, provided all other things can be made satisfactory.

Yours. truly
E. W. Andrews

No. 4.

(31.000-15-1)

(Service Message Form.)

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited.

NEW YORK STATION, *24 May 1878*

Back from _____ Sent or handed to _____
 Time _____ M. Time _____
 Day _____ Clock _____

To: _____ No. of Message _____ No. of Words _____
 From _____

London *J. A. Edison*
Minto Park N.Y.

<i>They</i>	<i>confident</i>	<i>of</i>	3
<i>rights</i>	<i>punder</i>	<i>original</i>	6
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<i>after</i>	<i>much</i>	<i>discussion</i>	15
<i>am</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>opinion</i>	18
<i>if</i>	<i>authorized</i>	<i>by</i>	21
<i>you</i>	<i>can</i>	<i>else</i>	24
<i>on</i>	<i>following</i>	<i>basis</i>	27
<i>out</i>	<i>of</i>	<i>first</i>	30
<i>receipts</i>	<i>you</i>	<i>to</i>	33
<i>be</i>	<i>repaid</i>	<i>you</i>	36

No. 4.

(31.000-15-1)

(Service Message Form.)

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited.

NEW YORK STATION, _____ 187

Back from _____ Sent or handed to _____
 Time _____ M. Time _____
 Day _____ Clock _____

To: _____ No. of Message _____ No. of Words _____
 From _____

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<i>expended</i>	<i>five</i>	<i>hundred</i>	3
<i>pounds</i>	<i>next</i>	<i>they</i>	6
<i>to</i>	<i>be</i>	<i>repaid</i>	9
<i>their</i>	<i>expenses</i>	<i>hereafter</i>	12
<i>incurred</i>	<i>on</i>	<i>same</i>	15
<i>account</i>	<i>after</i>	<i>which</i>	18
<i>you</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>receive</i>	21
<i>first</i>	<i>five</i>	<i>hundred</i>	24
<i>pounds</i>	<i>yearly</i>	<i>then</i>	27
<i>they</i>	<i>to</i>	<i>receive</i>	30
<i>five</i>	<i>hundred</i>	<i>pounds</i>	33
<i>yearly</i>	<i>then</i>	<i>you</i>	36

No. 4
(Service Message Form.)

(31440) (2-1)

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited.

NEW YORK STATION, 187

Read from	Sent by Sailed in
Time	Place
Rate	Class

Words.....No. of Message.....	No. of Words.....
Price	To

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other	five	hundred	3
pounds	anything	further	6
three	letter	cable	9
reply	expedite	promised	12
map	persuade	prescott	15
to	approve	and	18
promptly	as	parties	21
all	here	and	24
moment	exceptionally	favorable	27
for	opening	campaign	30
cable	noting	to	33
Consult me	regarding	England	36
		Journal	

J. C. REIFF,

No. 52 BROADWAY,

New York, May 21 1878.

My dear Edison By invitation of Dr.
Green I met him this PM. & gave
him a history of the litigation —
He says he never had a fair idea
of it before.

I am to see him again —
meanwhile I am trying to keep
it warm all round —

You may rest assured I
did not forget G.B.C.

Am I ever to see you again, or
must I come to meals, like the
other D.B.'s?

Yours
J. C. Reiff

At home to you
Edison Island. Edison people here.

Compromise, pretty certain it is, to
my mind that nobody there will
either - And I trust you will believe
that I am far from indicating anything
in the course of a threat to you. My
object being, simply to make a settlement
acceptable to all parties - Your
proposition certainly opens the way to
a compromise - I agree with you
that they should make a counter
proposition to you before they can
expect you to ask any modification
and in that view of the case, I am
not displeased with your reply -
which I believe to be the best one
calculated to bring from them a
definite counter proposition which I
currently trust to be able to do so
the result of your next meeting -
I was referred to in my cable to you
the map of the phantom wires
which you were good enough to
say you would send me -

Enclosed in the above
letter is a letter from
Mr. G. B. Prescott Esq.

Very faithfully
Geo. B. Prescott Esq.
for Mr. B. Prescott Esq.

28 May. 8.

Geo. B. Prescott Esq.

Dear Sir: I beg to confirm exchange
of cables as enclosed - Mine to you
seems to cover the ground so fully that
I hardly know what to add to it -
I trust that your reply does not go
into particulars - I have not been able
to get a meeting of the parties since it
recipt. I shall have no time however -
I shall hope to call on you for the in a
day or two - I should perhaps make
now clear to you than I have the nature of
my position in this matter - I have
to interest whatever with the
Hemmy & Co. neither have I written you
but as they invested their money in
the automatic through the, I am
extremely anxious to bring about
some compromise - I the only business
now which they can hope to get any
money - answer that which

Forward.

London

to Mr. F. Russell

and

has been the subject of a long and
 careful consideration, and it is
 proposed to publish a new edition of
 the work, which will be a complete
 revision of the original, and will
 contain a great deal of new matter.
 The work is now in the hands of
 the printer, and will be ready for
 publication in a few weeks.
 I am, Sir, very respectfully,
 Yours, &c.

Wm. Russell

Wm. Russell

Scott. New York

Dear Sir, I have the honor to acknowledge
 your letter of the 10th inst. and in reply to
 inform you that I have endeavored to get
 the matter before the proper authorities.

Prescott. to Gouraud

If they will pay five
hundred pounds down
will accede to the rest.
of the proposition -
Map by mail -

29 Mar. 1878.

To H. J. Kimover &
Boston May 30/78
Mr A. A. Edison
New York, N.Y.
Dear Sir

You recollect the contract
you made with me several years ago
for one half interest in your duplex
or any improvements you should make
to it, also for half interest in any other
invention or any other principle, method,
or system that you should invent, or
obtain a caveat or patent for, to be
used for the transmission of messages
on telegraph lines both ways simultaneously.
I should like to dispose of the
contract you told Mr. Crozier and
other familiar with the provisions
included in the terms of the contract
that it is valuable. What do you
think of it -

Yours truly
E. B. Welch.

Under the agreement
to which I refer I have
sent you a check for \$1000.

New York June 24, 1878
152. 2^d ave.

Mrs. A. Edison Esq,

Per Sir,

In my interview with you yesterday, you will remember that I stated there was a bill before Congress for the protection from loss by fire of all property of the Government by the best System of Automatic Signals -

On my return to the city I found a letter from Washington informing me, that the Bill referred to had passed both Houses.

As soon as I can procure a copy of the Bill, I will send it to you.

The matter will doubtless be referred to a Commission to select the best System, and give it the Award. So there it will be some time yet before any thing definite will be decided upon.

If your health and other pursuits does not engross your time and attention from the subject, whatever System you may be able to devise in the

interview will have a fair chance for a hearing
before any Commission that may have the
power to hear and determine.

The Great Napoleon while in Egypt
said to the Army, "That forty centuries looked
down upon them from the pyramids." And
I might say that Seven Thousand Millions
of dollars in value of insured property in the
United States, look up to you, for security
against loss by fire.

I trust that this vast
interest will exert an influence to the
best advantage to perfect or improve ^{on} the systems
now in operation, and if this result can
be reached, its consummation will be
decisively welcomed.

Very Respectfully Yours

Thomas D. Roe

152 - 2^d Ave

N. Y.

W. H. M. G. G. G.

The American District Telegraph Co.

E. W. ANDREWS, President.
A. B. CORNELL, Vice-Pres.
M. VAN DYKE, & Treas.
T. M. FOOTER, Secy.
21 V. F. & Man'g Director

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
699 BROADWAY.

C. R. HUTCHINGS, Secy. & Asst. Treas.
H. W. POPE, General Supt.

New York, Jan 29th 1878

J. B. Edwards Esq
N.Y.C.

Excuse your favor saying you would
make an appointment to meet me at an early day
as possible. I see by the papers that you are soon
to leave for Denver. I should like to see you
early next week if you can - I might see
at my address in the morning you are coming
to town & I will meet you at any place you
may designate and will not occupy your time
for many minutes.

Yrs Truly
Edw. Andrews

und. 1881, 14-78

New York July 12th/8

To
Thos. A Edison Esq
Dear

I am a little perplexed
as to the workings of
one of your inventions
I refer to the Quadruplex
Telegraph & I have taken
the liberty of writing to
you for the information
hoping that you will
excuse me. I cannot
~~yet~~ fully comprehend
how four (4) messages
can be sent on one
wire. In fact it has
fuzzled me more to understand

than any of your
later inventions. I
am an operator myself
& that is the reason
I am interested. If not
~~to~~ much trouble will
you kindly give me
this information or inform
me where I can get it
confer a great favor
on

Yours truly

P. F. Conway
401 Bway
N.Y.C.

Enc R.R.

NORMAN C. MILLER,
Second Floor,
NO. 6 NEW CHURCH STREET,
Between Fulton and Bay.
NEW YORK.

New York July 16. 1878

Charles Batchelor Esqr
De Sir

Mr Edison
told me on Saturday evening that
he would leave word with you
to pay me Twelve dollars a week
to continue the work which I am
now doing on the Autographia penum
untill Mr. Lombly satisfies himself
about it. ~~As~~ Mr. Miller is going
to your place I requested him to
say for about it so as to leave Mr.
Edison's ideas more fully than I now
them. If you understand the matter
as I do you can send the amount
by Mr. Miller so that what I am
now doing may be continued and
also that I may be able to go to

Steno Park when necessary ^{P. Kenner} 6/12/00
Mr. Miller will explain

Respectfully yours

P. Kenner

Rev. Mr. Parker
July 17th 1898. of
Mr. John B. Miller
Colon for Mr. Kenner
a name in his office
order, or request
#12. M. B. Miller

7 Leicester Place,
London. W.
Aug. 1. 1878.

My dear Sir,

I write to ask you
to pay me the £355
due on the sale of
Domestic Stock to the
Hudson Chgo. - You
had my stock & the
above amount remains
unpaid -

I have left the
my boy & must now
have the money at
any cost. Of course,

You alone are responsible
to me for it & to you
alone can I look for
its payment.

I don't know whether
they have or have not
settled with you in
full - I presume not,
or you would have
told me - But I do
know that I am
getting desperate for
want of money & I
beg of you to at least

pay me this, to you,
small amount -
You must be well able
to do this now that
your photograph ~~is~~ ^{is} ~~is~~ ^{is}
are meeting with such
success.

In any case
answer this letter at
once, that I may
know what to do.

Yours truly

Alice Norton.

Thos. A. Edison { over

I know for a fact that
some of the parties
got their share in full.
But let me offer because
I have waited.

I have settled it all
up according to acts
& paid over all
I need.

8662 hwy 100

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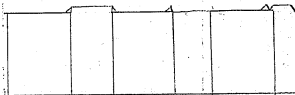
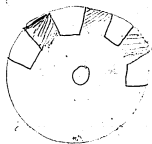
New York Aug 6.
T. A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir:-

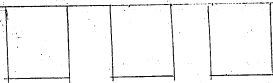
In reply to your Enquiry
through Mackenzie, about any
Contracts covering future improvements
we have to say that I have made
no Contracts or obligations of any
kind with the Union Fire Alarm
Co or any one else-

Accept my sincere gratitude for
your kindly aid in my present
negotiations.

Very Truly Yrs
T. A. Edison



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(1977)

Fig 1 front View - Full Size 1 inch deep
Fig 2 Back "

xxxxxx are hollow front plate

B. Segment secured to shaft S.

R. Rubber button to turn Segment B back
to its normal position after the
number has been sent = This gets
away with Gamewells patent self winder

In Fig 2 P.P.P.P are parts that holds
the case together.

K Ratchet wheel

D Circuit Break wheel

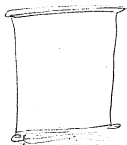
H Circuit breaker

C Escapement wheel

V Verge

Circuit break wheel 65 teeth,

over



Think Square Cell
Shape

Whereas first party has made
certain new and useful improvements
in Automatic Fire Alarm Signal Boxes
rc rc

J. C. Reiff

52 BROADWAY.

New York,

Aug 29 1877

My dear Editor

I hope to go to
New York this evening, but for past
few days I have been suffering
from a fearful influenza which
has kept me in bed and keeps me
must get the doctor.

I send you for information this
transcript of A. R. J. C. R.
San Francisco.

We complete our reply by Monday,
when as I understand we can
proceed at once to take testimony.
I wish you would look into
these papers & put down any
questions you would like me to
ask Gould, Eckert or Chandler.
Russell says. Good cause
practically conceded on point
for some we cannot get on
hearing. The court will allow
us to enter judgment against him.

I was glad to learn from you
mean yesterday that you
are very well & that your
trip has done you good.
I have followed you
closely & I rejoice over
the many reports of improvement
reported from Atlanta.
Will send you some
as may interest or disagree
with what others say and
will also find way there
to get water.

R.R.

Edison's
 Electric Pen & Multiplying Table
 J. A. Edison
 General Manager
 J. A. Edison
 General Manager
 267 Broadway N.Y.
 New York Sept 6 - 1878

Prof. J. A. Edison
 D.D.

I am anxious to see you
 & would be obliged if you will make
 an appointment to visit me tomorrow
 if possible - I shall be at the office
 of the Gold Stock tomorrow at eleven
 o'clock & will you could arrange
 to meet me there at half past
 eleven - It is important for your
 interests & as my own that
 we have an early conference

I wish you would
 telegraph me at 149 Broadway whether
 you will be in tomorrow or not

Yrs Truly
 J. A. Edison

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 10 1878

A. S. Brown

Wm. 1878

How is the Carbon
Rheostat

Edison

London Sept 11 1878
Aly. Montan.

My ansr

138 Lavenock Hill.
Ainley, England.
Sept. 11. 1878.

Dear Sir,

How, like yourself,
am enforced by the
Gentle of your letter of
27th Aug when I left N.Y.
two years ago there
was a balance unpaid
by me in the stock
sale & of this a
portion was due me
& a portion Reiff -

My share was \$355.
I am not account for
your letter saying you
has been turned up
or supposing that
since my absence here
you have settled with
Reiff in full - giving
him my share -

Please answer, in
return if this be so ^{as before}
as he has not paid
me nor advised me
of its receipt from

you. He has statement
of up as it stood
then I left.

If you have not
paid him the amt.
of \$355, this due me &
I beg you will remit
at once. He will
certify to this & show
his statement.

Yours truly,

Wm. W. W. W.

P. A. Edinburg

THE EXCHANGE TELEGRAPH COMPANY, LIMITED.

17 & 18, CORNHILL, LONDON, E.C.

PLEASE TO BE ADDRESSED TO
THE MANAGING DIRECTOR.

13 Sept^r

1875

Dear Sir

I am about to read a paper to the Society of Telegraph Engineers on the District System - as you were one of the original directors of the N.Y. Dist. Telegraph Co. perhaps you might be disposed to assist me with some account of the origin of the concern.

I have written to Mr. Andrews the President of the American District Co. for some statistics of the operation, but shall feel very much obliged for any information you may be pleased to furnish, & remain

Yours faithfully

J. Higgins

C. C.

J. A. Edison Esq^r

directions with your
Supt. to have the
instruments ready
on your return -

Surely if you can
do what you said it
would produce almost
immediate returns -

Please answer by
return mail how the
matter stands at pres-
ent - Resp^{lly} Yrs

Thomas J. Roe
162. 2^d Ave

New York Sep 17. 78

Thos J. Edison Esq
N.Y. City.

Don't you want
to see me in regard
the improved fire
alarm -

I am exceedingly
anxious in relation to
seeing a better and
cheaper system in-
troduced -

When I last saw
you, before your depar-
ture for the West, you
said you had left

My 4th-20th
Thos I Rice

New York
Sep 20th 1878

Mrs A. Edison Esq
Dear Sir,

This of yesterday
took and - I will
come down to see
you Monday, by
8.30 train -

Yrs Respctly.
Thos I. Rice

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Oct 3 1876

My B. A. Edison
ans.
If possible myself
go to see you tomorrow
on train at 10 o'clock
You be there then
E. A. Andrews

14th

310
E. A. Andrews

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Oct 3 1876

E. A. Andrews
I will be here
unless called to
My B. A. Edison
E. A. Andrews

34th

J. C. REIFF.

No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, Oct 4th 1876

My dear J. A. Your welcome recd.
one is ok - The other not complete.
I don't in any manner please let
me know, as I desire to counsel
you regarding Serrell's request in
the interference case etc etc.
I don't want to have him get you
into a wrong position -
The thing needed is a Rate Reduction
first - but in no way not broken
you in the future.
I was surprised to learn that even
Frank Pope & Smith are in
interference with you - that is
really too thin

Edison

Write to G. C. K.
My friend Serrell is
asking for no salary
in the reduction case.

Sincerely
J. C. Reiff

To Honorable
Senate Oct 9th 1878
Thomas A. Edison Esq.
New York, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Edison will have the
Contract referred to in my previous
letter & I am immediately from legal advisers
You will get my opinion respecting
it totally different from that you
expressed in your letter to me, which
was sent some weeks ago - I have
had it examined by attorneys in
Boston and New York and they say
it is a very clear case - My attorney
will tell you the same if you let him
read the Contract & I am quite certain
about the terms of the Contract
conplied with - Please send it
your attention and let me hear from
you soon - Yours truly E. W. Welch

T. A. EDISON.

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1125

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 10 1878

NY 10
Thos. A. Edison

ms

Will you be at home tomorrow
if so I will go over with Mr
Andrews at eleven am
Jas Gamble

1927
L. 9

T. A. EDISON.

1

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 10 1878

Jas Gamble
Recd. Sept 11

Sorry but I will
be away tomorrow and
next day
T. A. Edison

1015

11³⁰ am
9 In

T. A. EDISON.

21

Menlo Park, N. J. 1878

New York Oct 14

T. A. Edison
Menlo Park

Will you be home
if possible & myself
appear out at 12 West
tomorrow morning
23rd St office

E. H. Andrews
Pres.

21st St
J. J.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J. Oct 14 1878

E. H. Andrews

Pres.
12 West 23rd St
NY

Will be in NY
tomorrow will make
appointment latter part
of this week
Edison.

13th

8:00pm
9/14

George B. Prescott
Electrician

Electrician's Office
Western Union Telegraph Company
New York Oct 17 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq

Dear Sir,

I send you herewith an assignment of one half interest in my patents for improvement in Quadruplex Telegraphs No. 190,898, agreeably to the requirements of our agreement of August 19th 1874.

Yours truly
Geo. B. Prescott

Assignment of Letters Patent.

Whereas Letters Patent of the United States bearing date May 15, 1877, and numbered 190,898 for Improvements in Quadruplex Telegraphy, were duly granted to George B. Prescott of the City and State of New York; and whereas by a contract and assignment between Thomas A. Edison and George B. Prescott, dated August 19th, 1874, and recorded in Liber K¹⁸, page 52 of Transfers of Patents, it is provided that both of the parties shall have an equal undivided interest in all Letters Patent of the United States, or of any foreign countries, which may be granted for all or any of the inventions therein described, or of any future improvements thereon made by either party, and of all extensions and issues of any such Letters Patent; and whereas the above mentioned Letters Patent No. 190,898 are for improvements upon the inventions mentioned in the Contract and Assignment of August 19, 1874.

Now, therefore this Indenture Witnesseth that for and in consideration of the above mentioned agreement and assignment and for the consideration therein recited, I, the said George B. Prescott, do hereby sell and assign to the said Thomas A. Edison one undivided half part of the right, title, and interest of every character, in, to, under and connected with the said invention and Letters Patent under and in accordance with the conditions set forth in said contract and assignment of August 19th, 1874, the same to be held and enjoyed by the said Thomas A. Edison for his own use and behoof, and for the use and behoof of his legal representatives, to the full and term for which said Letters Patent are granted as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me had this Assignment and sale not been made.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed my seal this sixteenth day of October, 1878.
Sealed & delivered in the
presence of

J. A. Hamilton.

George B. Prescott

Robert C. 1/19/48
15/48

H. H. Ellis Esq. N.Y.
Men & Firms N.Y.C.

Dear Sir, I am of this date

kind. The considerations you will find
that in the contract, and if you ask
the opinion of your legal advisers
they will tell you that the contract
is legal and valid and that you cannot
get rid of your liabilities without
either paying them or
being disposed to shake your General
Settlement with you rather than commence
action against you or not disposed to
settle the matter must put the matter
into Court. I have submitted the con-
tract to my attorney here and from
New York all give the same opinion,
viz. that the contract is valid.

Yours truly,
over E. J. Welch

Have your letter acknowledging the
Contract - as you cannot deny it now -

Porter Oct 19th 78
E B Welch

never been remitted by
you to me since then.

I beg that you will
answer these questions
& attend to the matter,
as I need the money.

Yours faithfully
Alex. Morton.

address, 138 Laverstock Rd.

~~St. James's Street, W.C.~~

London. Oct. 22. 1878.

J. A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your note
stating that you had settled
up the Domestic Tel. Stock \$355
balance due me "long ago", I
wrote you on or about the
7th of Sept. asking for
information as to how &
when it had been paid &
to whom - as when I left
New York 2 years ago, it
was then due me & has,
as you must be aware

T. A. EDISON.

1 N 13

2:29 pm

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 23 1878

N.Y. 23
Mrs A Edison Ms
I will be over on eleven
o'clock train tomorrow as
per my engagement
J. A. Hamblee

Mr.
J. A.

Ms 23
J. A. Hamblee ny
Sorry but I am compelled
to go to N.Y. tomorrow
T. A. Edison

D. 8.

New York Wednesday Morning ^{Nov 6 - 78}

Friend Dixon.

I arrived here on Sunday morning, and naturally make inquiries regarding yourself with a view to seeing you. After talking with Gerrit he kindly volunteered to speak over the wire and yesterday afternoon handed me Mr Griffin's message. Under existing circumstances I hardly expected to be allowed to go to Marlboro Park, but I was so anxious to see you that I knew of no other course of arriving at my object except the one pursued. I feel convinced that the light in which my position appears to you is a false one & I am extremely anxious to alter it if possible.

Mr Briggs when he was in London mentioned the fact that you were very much annoyed at Brown, but didn't or couldn't tell me the whole story. I personally have never to my knowledge done one single act that was in the slightest degree prejudicial to your interests, whatever Brown may have done I know little or nothing about, his bump of secretiveness being unusually

large I am afraid. -

If you reflect a little, I am sure your memory will serve to prove that my disposition was never, to say the least, vindictive. I want to see you for many reasons, am I asking too much? -

Yours Respectfully

Edw Wright

J. Addison Esq.

Menlo Park

Address Care of Gerritt Smith Esq.

My note to
Edw Wright
was March 18

John H. Porter,
 Governor of New York
 Dr. John H. Porter,
 Charles Francis Adams,
 George T. Huntley.

Porter, Lowrey, Sever & Stone,
 Attorneys & Counsellors at Law.

No. 3 Broad Street, (WREXEL BUILDING)

New York, Nov. 13th 1878

P.O. No. 1636.

My dear Edison

I arrived home safely, laugh-
 ing many times on the way, at your remiscen-
 es, especially the severity of the Louisville
 Superintendent who threatened to discharge the
 operation of these over time the office is
 paid again - It reminded me of the
 benevolent and rather underwitted fellow
 up in my country who, returning at night
 to the bosom of his family, found decedat
 by the wrong man in the high place,
 & told him he ever found him there a
 gain he would "throw his breeches out
 of doors if it rained over so hard".

Enclosed you will find enclosed
 petition for rehearing which Pope brought
 down & directed you seen & requested
 me to forward to you - There was to be
 some letter about Jones claim to go
 with it, for purposes of explanation - I will
 keep this open to rehearing it - I have

Not receive this petition & from nothing what
 we about it - It is as even for it.

(Enclosed, petition)

7/11/13 - 7r
Lacey

Regarding personal matters
and refers to Dr. Green
note about Quad

J. C. REIFF,
President.

AMERICAN AUTOMATIC TELEGRAPH CO.,
No. 52 BROADWAY.

New York, Nov 14 1878

Dear G. A. G.

I inclose a document
for your amusement—

D. A. E. evidently thinks my opinions
worth something—

Of course the nut was instigated
by him—

Notwithstanding the utterly silly
slandered notice in bringing
out a nut, yet I must
show money to defeat suspect—

How is your health?

How is the Baby? Who is "Leslie"
for whom you named the Boy—

J. C. R.

T. A. EDISON.

No 11
Menlo Park, N. J., December 13 1878

J. U. Mackenzie Esq
New York

Dear Sir

As requested by you I have very
carefully examined the non interference fire
alarm signal box manufactured by C. H. Bond of
the Union Fire alarm Company of New York,
and I have no hesitation in pronouncing it the
best, simplest, and most reliable non interfering
fire alarm signal box I have ever seen

Yours Truly

Thomas A. Edison

No 1
I have examined the fire alarm
as manufactured by the Union Fire
Alarm Co of NY & consider it a
good reliable non interfering
System
Wilmington O. 7/20/79
Ed Miller
Supt. Telegraph
N. J. & N. Y.

The American District Telegraph Co.

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A. B. CORNELL,
1st Vice-Pres. & Treas.
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2d V. P. & Man'g Director.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE,
699 BROADWAY.

C. B. HOYCHIKISS,
Sec. & Asst. Treas.
H. W. POPP,
General Supt.

New York, Dec. 16, 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq
New York

I have re-examined to see if our
several times in relation to autographic telegraphing.
Every appointment you have made or you have been
obliged to make from necessity I presume to write to
keep I saw each frame to day & the said you
had stated to him that the contract between yourself
myself, Will & Effie, was to be given up, to you.
He contract chose for itself, what the agreement was
after we had advanced you money for experimenting
beyond the time specified, you said, after the failure
of the last experiment that you needed. "You have
advanced money enough. Have failed three times
but some times I shall see how I can perfect the
invention & I will do that at my own expense
for the benefit of the contracting parties." I have
your written agreement to that effect. - Nothing
was said about surrendering the contract, such a thing
was never contemplated by you or myself -
I understood Mr. Henry was a device which would enable
you to perfect this important improvement. & I think from
my conversation with Mrs. Henry, that the W. U. C. would

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New York,

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be willing to pay to have the experiment tried if they could control it, if it was a success, - I am willing on my part, (I think I can get the consent of the other parties in interest) to agree to a fair arrangement, if the experiment can be tried - If you would think me over to a conclusion as to an agreement of terms, the matter could soon be settled by having as to its practicability - Will you do so, or will you not. I do not wish to keep the matter in this uncertain state, (as far as Henry is concerned), any longer. I have confidence that it may prove to be one of your great successes -

Yrs Truly
E. W. Andrews

Ogden Ut

Dec 22. 78

Dear Sir

About a year ago while in New York Mr Edison showed me an arrangement he had for repeating through business from one wire to another by means of a small metallic plate with a motor below to revolve it, and above a magnet with a point to indent and emboss paper similar to the way a Register does. Repeater was fixed by closing CKt when point sank in indent and opened by coming out again.

If they are still there (he never used them practically) I would like to buy them if not, to get some say two manufacturers. Capacity of plate should be at least two hundred words - Please state price etc as early as possible -

Yours Respy

A Pattison
W. H. Tel Co

W H Griffin Esq
Menlo Park N J

John W. Foster
Quincy's Passage
San. Hotel House
Ch. House, House
George L. Kaulder.

P.O. No. 1836.

Porter, Lowrey, Loren & Stone,
Attorneys & Counsellors at Law.

No. 3 Broad Street, (BRICK BUILDING.)

New York, Dec 23^d 1878

Dear Sir:

By direction of Mr. Lowrey, I send you
herewith a paper which he has received from Mr.
Prescott. Please inform him if it is to be
signed, and if so he will sign same. -

Yours very Respy

E. W. Griffith

Thos. A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park

New Jersey

Waller vs. W
G. P. Lowry

Regarding a paper Mr
Prescott sent him
for signature
Said paper returned
Dec 26, 78.

Executive Office
Western Union Telegraph Company
New York Dec. 23 1878

Mr P. A. Edison

Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir:

Your favor of this date received and contents noted. I have consulted with the President regarding the employment of Kinney, and he states that he is formerly of the opinion that until Mr Andrews has given up the contract which he has seen, he Mr A will prefer a claim upon any invention covered by said contract.

He therefore would not be in favor of adding (25) twenty five dollars per week for the employment of Kinney until you have retired the contract, although he would not have any objection to a portion of the

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regular weekly allowance being applied for that purpose.

The President McKim has not any understanding with Mr Andrews, but has discussed the matter with him, and Andrews has signified that he would not be unreasonable regarding the matter.

I would therefore suggest that you return this contract if possible, and then we can proceed without any embarrassment. When you have time I should be very happy to have you drop in. Have you made any progress with my things? Wishing you every success

Dear Sir
Sincerely, Will K. Kimbly (Vice Pres.)

George B. Prescott
Electrician

Electrician's Office
Western Union Telegraph Company
New York, Dec 23 1877

Friend Edison,

I shew you the letter of the English Post
Office Authorities of October 15th saying the Madras
matter should receive consideration. I have heard
nothing from them since. I think the best thing
we can do is to place the matter in the hands
of Henry Weaver Esq. for negotiation. He knows
all the parties, and is smart straightforward
and honest. If you concur in this suggestion
I will write to him at once.

Yours truly
George B. Prescott

Yours truly
means I believe
Weaver is just
what to do it

Office of

Union Fire Alarm Telegraph Co.,

Room 7

126 Fulton Street (Second Floor).

A. TENNEY, President.
C. H. POND, Manager.

New York, Dec 23rd 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq.

Mt. Park

Vulcanized Fibre Co.

Dear Sir

Drydenman Cor

Church Street

Please address me by

return mail when I can get
Vulcanized Fibre to the best advantage
and what quality or grade (if
several are made) would be
best suited for signal box use.

I rec'd a long letter from
H. P. Chis today in which he
goes for you slightly. I will
bring it out in a day or two. I
am pegging away at the type & have
made some headway & feel assured
of ultimate success. Gordon folks
are also receiving frequent visits & are doing
what they can for me. Yrs truly
Wm. H. Pond

Geo Norris.

Lawyer

Evening Post Building
NY

Telegram

Received by telegram

I will be in on Thursday at 9 o'clock and can
tell you all I know in fifteen minutes.
Edison

THE MERCANTILE TRUST COMPANY.

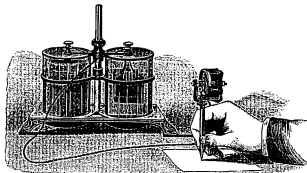
NEW YORK.

Monday

Please let me know
by air early tomorrow
what time you will be
here. *H.E.*

File ~~111~~
from Quilley

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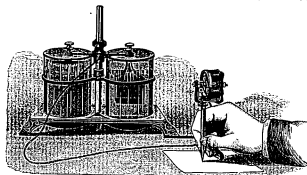
They claim that the stock being sold to you for the patents and improvements ^{to the year} only in Dec 4th after the company had been incorporated in Apr of same year the whole account previous to such sale was invalid and included in such sale

They claim that all experimenting in 1875 must be included in such sale as part thereof

They claim that the were furnished for line between 52 Broadway and 91 Liberty St was part of the apparatus for showing their invention and consequently no charge ought to be made & also it is charge by B. C. M. who he

They claim that the minutes of a meeting at which the bill of Edison & Murray was

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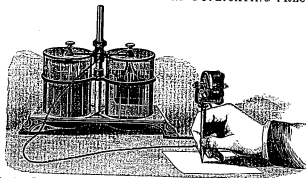
apparently allowed ~~with~~ subject to a reduction
of \$150 dollar overcharge was allowed by
Edison & Murray as trustees but objected
to by J B Edison the remaining trustee but
carried over his objection.

They claim that the minutes of the meeting
of incorporators show that trustees were
~~not~~ elected July 27 and patents etc later
and the transfer in sec 4 or thereabouts
& then all claims to that date were
settled by transfer according to reading
of those minutes and contracts

They claim that you received \$100 from
Hawes which we have not on our bill

They claim that the 'Repeater' bill

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but as by you and turned over by Goldwin
by you they have but can never use because
it is a direct infringement on Gamewell

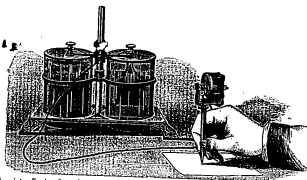
they claim that the experimental going
which is charged \$50 for they have not
having been taken by Murray and
recharged by him for \$125 which is paid

they claim that they owe you \$131.57

they claim that the minutes of the
meeting show that you said you would
not ask the company for your bill
until it would not embarrass them
to pay same

they claim they have not enough

EDISON'S LIGHT



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money to pay even this 131⁵⁰ without
being embarrassed but will make up
the same to have the thing squared
up before the General comes home

I claim that in addition to this 130⁵⁰
even if you allow all experimental work
you ought to be paid for all battery material
instruments tables etc which would make
it up to 450⁶⁵

although a great deal of this was furnished
previous to Dec 4 1874 but which was
material furnished to the incorporators
to show the invention and also all those
improvements which involved an outlay
of money

Form 48, Large.

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M.

In Account with The Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph Company.

	Dec 13	Exp. F. M. Alan	121	20
	" 19	" "	108	00
Apr 4		Pal Office Model	35	00
"		Exp. New Receiver	72	
Apr. 13		" " "	47	
" 30		" " "	100	00
June 2		" Bell & Receiver	26	00
June 5		Pal Office Model	25	
" 21		Exp. New Receiver -	31	00
Oct 4		Exp. Box	24	
Nov 7		" Receiver	48	
" 13		" "	36	
" 20		" "	29	40
" 25		" "	18	
1875	27	" Box	12	
Jan. 16		Steel F. M. Alan Box	131	00
Feb 8		Pal Off mod.	36	
Apr 23		alteration Records.	10	40
" 27		" "	6	
May 27		Expenses going.	80	
			1385	70
			150	31
			1285	49

Dec 13. Carson collector too from C. L. Hawes. early bank
 of Jan 1876 within

Incorporated 10 April 1874
 Company begins 10 April 1874
 Transfer elected — July 27 1874

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M.

In Account with The Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph Company.

Dec 1 1874 Stock was issued they claim all
 account before this was included in this
 according to contract. "that he should
 continue to invent at expenses at his own
 expense for a year"

1723	14
1235	49
487	68

Repeater not allowed because
 this a direct infringement
 on Gamewell

Shaw

The Quadruplex

Edison to have $\frac{1}{4}$ of the amount which may be got from The Western Union for a Release of the full title to the Quadruplex

The remaining $\frac{3}{4}$ to be applied to payment of fees of W. St. Butler; Genl Butler; Latrobe & Myers

Russell to have $\frac{1}{3}$ of the balance. Reiff $\frac{1}{6}$

The death of Orton strengthens the case for Harrington's title

Harrington will give the necessary evidence to defeat the claim under the deed of 1 Jan'y 1875 transferring the quadruplex to Gould for one dollar

I can effect a compromise if Edison will help me to do it. He can indicate the terms of the compromise through me

As to the Automatics

What is a separate matter - to be treated after we have got rid of the Quadruplex controversy

As to the title to the Patents

Gould's answer amounts to nothing. It contains no denial of the case made by the Bill and consequently a Decree will be taken that he shall reassign the Patents to Harrington and Edison or to the American Automatics Telegraph Company.

The Agreement between Harrington & Gould upon which Harrington gave Gould the deed of Assignment of the Automatics Patents dated

upon the understanding that the 4 millions of Stock was to be issued as per Schedule will be proved by Harrington and not denied by Gould. He has admitted it by his answer by not denying it.

The A & P. have only stepped into his shoes so as to become entitled to Harrington's individual share of the proceeds of the Patents and Parsons' share also

The Automatic system to be perfected by Edison
and the Original Patents in conjunction with the
new improvements made by Edison in Automatic
Telegraphy to be sold and the proceeds divided as
follows

Thomas A. Edison	one third part
The American Automatic Telegraph Company, Mr. Ripell and Mr. Keiff	Two thirds

If Mr. Edison will say that he can improve
the Automatic an advantageous bargain can be
made with the Western Union.

They will prefer Edison's inventions in
Automatic to Fisk & Randell's

Edison to determine what the Western Union
shall pay for the original Automatic Patents coupled
with his improvements

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Answers to bill of complaint.

All selected.

United States Circuit Court
for the Southern District of New York

George Harrington & Thomas A
Edison

- against -

The Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph
Company and Jay Gould

In
Equity

The separate answer of Jay Gould, one of the defendants in the above entitled action to the bill of complaint of George Harrington and Thomas A. Edison, complainants.

This defendant, now & at all times hereafter saving & reserving unto himself all benefit & advantage of exception which can or may be had or taken to the many errors, uncertainties & other imperfections in the said complainants said bill of complaint contained for answer thereto, or unto so much & such parts thereof as this defendant is advised is or are material or necessary for him to make answer unto, this defendant

answering saith.

First: This defendant avers that he has not at any time used or licensed any other person to use any of the inventions mentioned in the bill of complaint & that he has never manufactured, used or sold or licensed any other person or persons to manufacture, use or sell any articles or things containing any of the said inventions, & that he does not now use the same or any of them or any articles or things containing the same or any of them & he does not claim any right, title or interest in the said inventions or any of them & this defendant doth disclaim all or any right, title or interest in the said inventions or any of them.

And this defendant denies all & all manner of fraud or fraudulent or unlawful combination and confederacy wherein with he is by the said bill charged, without this, that there is any other matter, cause or thing in

the said complainants said bill of complaint contained, material or necessary for this defendant to make answer unto, & not herein & hereby well & sufficiently, answered, confessed, traversed & avoided or denied is not true to the knowledge or belief of this defendant. all of which matters & things this defendant is ready & willing to aver, maintain & prove, as this Honorable Court shall direct, & humbly prays to be hence dismissed with his reasonable costs & charges in this behalf most wrongfully sustained.

W Daniel Lummis & sonther Jay Gould.
Solicitors for deft Gould.

Southern District of New York S.S.

Jay Gould, being duly sworn says, that he is one of the defendants in the foregoing answer named, that he has read the same, & knows the contents thereof & that the same is true of his own knowledge, except as to those matters

therein stated to be alleged an in-
formation & belief as to those matters
he believes it to be true

Sworn to this 22nd day } Jay Gould.

of August, 1878, before me
at New York City

Edmund Lyon

Notary Public Kings Co.

Cert filed in 864

United States Circuit Court
for the Southern District of New York

George Harrington and
Thomas A. Edison

against

Answer

The Atlantic & Pacific
Telegraph Company, in-
sured with Jay Lloyd

The several clauses of the
Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph Company
to the Bill of Complaint of George
Harrington and Thomas A. Edison
is returned. This defendant now
and at all times hereafter saving
and reserving unto itself all benefit
and advantage of exception which
can or may be had or take as to
the many errors, uncertainties and
other imperfections in the said
Complainant's said Bill of Complaint
contained, for answer thereto or unto
so much and such parts thereof as
this defendant is advised is or are
material or necessary for it to make

...we, the defendant answer 436
ing, said...

But his defendant admits the allegations in the articles of the bill of complaint numbered respectively 1st, 5, 7, 22, 23, and 27.

Stated; The defendant denies
that and any allegation in the
articles of the bill of complaint num-
bered respectively 12, 13, 14, 15,
16, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

Third: This defendant admits the allegations in the article of said bill numbered 2, except that it denies that the title of the complainant to the Letters Patent therein alleged and described, or any of them, was subject to the right or interest of any other parties whatsoever, at any time up to the assignment thereof to the defendant, or could, as hereinafter mentioned.

The defendant admits that it claims the right to use the inventions described in the second article of the

complaint, under and by virtue of the
provision mentioned in article numbered
29a.

It denies, each and every other
allegation in said last mentioned
article contained. It admits the
execution, delivery and record
of the deed mentioned in the article
numbered 30, but denies that the
same or any provision thereof was
for the benefit of any parties other
than the complainants.

Fourth. It has no knowledge or
information sufficient to form a be-
lief as to any of the allegations in
the fourth, twelfth and thirty fifth
articles of said bill of complaint.

Fifth. It admits the allegations
in the first paragraph of the sixth
article of said bill of complaint, ex-
cept that it denies that the title
to the said patents and inventions
or any of them is now in the com-
plainants or either of them in any
proportion whatever or in any man-
ner whatever. It has no knowledge

or information sufficient to form a belief as to any other of the allegations in said last mentioned article except that it denies that the patents, drafts and documents mentioned in said article were at the commencement of this suit or now are in the office therein mentioned or were at that time in the possession or under the control of the complainants.

Sixth: It admits the allegations in the first paragraph in the eighth article of said bill of complaint. It has no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to any of the allegations in the second, third and fourth paragraphs thereof. It denies the allegations in the last paragraph of said article and each and every of them.

Seventh. It admits that George Harrington was in ill-health and about to leave the United States and

that he and Thomas A. Edison executed and delivered respectively the deeds in the ninth article mentioned, and that to obtain and issue 40,000 shares of the stock of this defendant would involve considerable delay. But it avers that this delay was not the reason why such deeds were executed and delivered: and it denies each and every other allegation in the ninth article of said bill of complaint.

Eighth. It admits that the deed mentioned in the tenth article of the bill of complaint was delivered to the defendant Jay Gould and that the latter therein mentioned was also delivered to him. It denies each and every other allegation in said tenth article contained. It avers upon its information and belief that the said letter was not delivered to the said Jay Gould until about two weeks after the deed therein mentioned was delivered to him and that the terms and conditions

mentioned in said letter were not⁴³²
annexed or agreed to be annexed
to the said delivery but that the
same was absolute and that the
payments in the bill of complaint
mentioned and other payments here
inafter awarded, were made by him
and by this defendant in full pay-
ment and satisfaction of the price
of the inventions mentioned in the
bill of complaint and that the
complainant has received there-
for consideration agreed to be paid
therefor and has no further claim
against this defendant or said
Jay Gould for any portion of such
consideration. It admits that the
deed and the letter mentioned in
the Eleventh article of the bill of
complaint were delivered to the said
Jay Gould ~~for any portion of such~~
~~consideration.~~ It admits that he
did by other allegation in said
Eleventh article contained.
Fifth. It admits that it received
possession of the line of telegraph

and appurtenances mentioned in the
fourteenth article of the bill of com-
plaint under certain written stipu-
lations to which this defendant
craves leave to refer. It admits that
after receiving possession of the said
line and appurtenances it did use
some of the patents in the bill of
complaint mentioned. It denies each
and every other allegation in said
fourteenth article except that it
has no knowledge or information
sufficient to form a belief as to
what the said Harrington and his
associates and the said Jay Gould
assumed.

It admits that the deeds
mentioned in the fifteenth article
of the complaint were recorded as
then stated and that it procured
certain machines and apparatus pat-
ented by the said Edison, and worked
the same on its lines.

It denies each and every other
allegation in the fifteenth article of
said bill of complaint. It admits that

loan to the Atlantic Telegraph 430
company, mentioned in the sixteenth
article of the bill of complaint and
it avers upon its information and
belief that it was agreed between
the plaintiff and the said Gould
that when the deed of conveyance
of the patents and other property
mentioned in the bill of complaint
should be delivered to this defendant
and that when the contracts with
rail road companies mentioned in
the bill of complaint should be
procured and assigned to this
defendant the amount so loaned
should be credited on and treated
as part of the price to be paid
therefor. And it avers that it
never agreed to buy said loan.

It denies each and every other
allegation in said sixteenth article
contained.

Sixth. This defendant admits
that J. C. Riff has applied to it
at different times and made to it

with more or less fullness the statements contained in the bill of complaint and that at one time owing to the illness of Thomas S. Eckers the President of this defendant this defendant declined to consider the matter at that time. It further admits that it did in answer to some of the statements made to it by said Reiffstate and insist upon the failure of the parties interested in the Automatic Telegraph Company to conclude the contracts between them and the Erie Railway Company, The Pennsylvania Railroad Company, and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Company, which are mentioned in the memorandum marked Exhibit D, and to assign them to this defendant. And it denies each and every allegation in the seventeenth article of said bill of complaint not herein before admitted. Eleventh. This defendant denies each and every allegation in the Eighteenth article of the bill of

complaint. exceptions contained in
the second paragraph thereof
which it admits. 428

Twelfth. This defendant ad-
mits that certain notices were
delivered to and by the persons
mentioned in the nineteenth
article of the bill of
complaint. It denies that the
contents thereof are sufficiently
set forth in the said article and
craves leave to refer to the origi-
nals thereof.

It admits that George Har-
rington was in Europe at the
times in said article mentioned
but denies that he was unable
to perform his duties as Trustee
or that he had any such duties
to perform in respect to the matters
in said notices mentioned.

Defendant. This defendant admits the delivery of the deed in the Twenty-first article mentioned, but denies that the same was delivered with the expectation and belief therein alleged. This defendant admits that the Western Union Telegraph Company and George H. Beeson made certain claims substantially alleged in the twenty-fourth article of the bill of Complaint, the validity of which claim is in litigation between them and this defendant. It denies each and every other allegation in said Twenty-fourth article contained. Twentieth: This defendant admits the allegations in the first sentence of the Twenty-fifth article of the bill of Complaint contained. It denies each and every other allegation in the said article contained. It admits the allegations ^{of the twenty-fourth article} of the bill of Complaint, except that it denies on information and belief that Edison was required to operate with

14. *Reiff, McManus and Harrington*
 or that he agreed to comply with the
 request alleged in the said article;
 and it has no knowledge or in-
 formation sufficient to form
 a belief as to whether he made
 any agreement with the associ-
 ates therein mentioned on the sub-
 ject therein alleged.

Fifteenth: This defendant ad-
 mits that the defendant *Gould*,
 caused the deed dated April 9, 1875,
 to be recorded May 7, 1875, and
 that he contracted to transfer to this
 defendant whatever title he held
 by virtue thereof and that this de-
 fendant now claims the right to
 use the patented inventions therein
 described; and that the assign-
 ment thereby made to said *Gould*
 is valid and effectual in law;
 and that the same was not de-
 livered in escrow. It also admits
 that it claims that it is not under
 obligation to pay the consideration

specified in the said Hurrington's said letter, dated April 16, 1875 and in the memorandum dated December 30, 1874. It denies each and every allegation in the thirtieth article of said bill of complaint which is not in this article specifically admitted.

Sixteenth: This defendant admits that it claims to be a bona fide purchaser for value of the patents and inventions mentioned in the thirty-first article of the bill of Complaint, as in said article is alleged. It denies each and every other allegation in said article contained.

It has no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to what Hurrington and others supposed, as alleged in the thirty-third article of said bill and it denies each and every allegation of said article.

Seventeenth: This defendant has no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief, as to any

of the allegations contained in the thirty sixth and thirty seventh articles of the bill of complaint. Eighthly: The defendant admits and avers that the defendant Gould said to the complainant, Harrington the sum of One hundred and thirteen thousand dollars. It has no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to the allegations in the said bill of complaint relating to the purchase from Samuel C. Parsons, in said bill of complaint mentioned, but it is informed and believes that the defendant Gould did purchase of said Parsons whatever interest he had claimed in said inventions: and said Gould assigned the same to this defendant. It denies each and every allegation in the thirty eighth article of the bill of complaint not hereinbefore admitted or traversed. It avers that the said price was paid to the said Harrington in

payment and satisfaction for
the patents and inventions in the
bill of complaint mentioned except
those therein stated to have been the
property of George Sittle.

Fourthly: This defendant ad-
mits that it makes the claim to
own whatever was purchased by
said Gould mentioned in the thirty-
ninth article of the bill of complaint.
It denies each and every other al-
legation in said article contained.
The defendant admits that it claims
to have and own the full right and
title to the inventions called in the
fortieth article of the bill of com-
plaint "the invention of duplex
and quadruplex telegraphy." It
also admits that it claims to own
whatever interest Harrington, Parsons
or Edison ever had at any time in
any of the inventions mentioned
and described in the bill of com-
plaint, and in "the fruits and pro-
ceeds thereof" and it denies each
and every allegation in the fortieth

article of the bill of complaint
not heretofore admitted

Tenth: This defendant denies
each and every allegation in the
first paragraph of the forty-first
article of the bill of complaint.
It admits the other allegations of
said article. It avers that the pur-
chase from Mills for the sum of
thirty thousand dollars mentioned
in said article, was of all the
inventions and interests men-
tioned and described in Exhibit H,
annexed to the bill of complaint,
and that the object and purpose
of the said purchase was as follows.
It was claimed by some that the
inventions in said Exhibit men-
tioned were not included in the ar-
rangement between said Harrington
and said Edison of which a copy
marked Exhibit I, is annexed to the
bill of complaint, and that said
Harrington had no power to sell
the same, In order to obviate any

question of this sort this defendant made said purchase from said Miller.

Twenty first: This defendant admits the allegations in the first paragraph of the forty-third article of the bill of complaint contained. It admits that this defendant has expedited the arrangements of December 30, 1894, for the reasons hereinafter stated, and that the owners of the Automatic system have had no part in the arrangement of this defendant's business. It also admits upon its information and belief, that a portion of the telegraph line from New York to Washington became dilapidated, and was for that reason taken away by this defendant. But it is informed and believes that this was in consequence of its defective construction, and was done to preserve the lives of the public, and for no other reasons.

It also admits that a portion of said line was taken away, but

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avows upon its information and belief that the same was seized and taken on legal process to pay debts of said Automatic Telegraph Company. This defendant denies each and every other allegation in said forty third article.

Twenty-second: This defendant avows that on or about April 29, 1876, said John W. Maffus requested this defendant not to admit him or his associates to participate in the management of the affairs and business of this defendant, or to have a representative on its Executive Committee, and not to pay any money to them or any of them, and this defendant about the same time was notified by W. C. Dallett Junior not to pay any money to Josiah E. Burt.

Twenty-third: This defendant admits that there has been no development of the inventions described in the forty-fourth article of the bill of complaint, and, that Edison has

refused to put the same on the
defendant's lines, It has no knowledge
or information sufficient to form
a belief as to whether there are any
such inventions or improvements.

It denies each and every other al-
legation in said article contained.

Fourth: This defendant avers
that it never had any knowledge
notice or information of any kind
that the complainant George Har-
ington had not full power and
authority to sell the inventions and
patents mentioned and described
in the bill of complaint and to re-
ceive the price thereof. And it did
in good faith and for a valuable
consideration purchase the same of
the defendant Gould and of Samuel W.
Mills. And it is informed and be-
lieves that the defendant Gould pur-
chased the same of the complain-
ants in good faith and for a val-
uable consideration and that the
complainants have no right, title
or interest therein or any part thereof.

Twenty-fifth: This defendant first 418
answering the said bill of complaint,
says, that before the filing of the said
bill it received from the complain-
ant George Harrington full license
and authority to use such and
every of the inventions mentioned,
and described in the bill of com-
plaint, and that such license is
still in force and unrevoked. And
it avers and charges upon its
information and belief that the
said George Harrington never
authorized the filing of said bill,
nor the insertion of his name as
a party to this suit.

Twenty-sixth: This defendant first
answering the said bill of
Complaint, says, upon its infor-
mation and belief, that the memo-
randum dated December 30, 1874,
was abandoned, and given up
by all the parties thereto during
before the summer of 1875, at that
time it was ascertained that it
was impossible for John H. Man-

and Josiah C. Kiff to obtain the contracts with railroad companies mentioned in said memorandum.

Twenty seventh: This defendant further answering the said bill of Complaint, says upon its information and belief that the causes of action mentioned in said bill of Complaint have been assigned to and were at the time of the filing of said bill and are now the property of The American Automatic Telegraph Company and not of the plaintiffs.

Twenty eighth: This defendant makes the following answers to the Interrogatories in the bill of Complaint, contained, which in and by said bill it is required to answer.

To the fourth Interrogatory provided they were served on this defendant, but this defendant has no knowledge or information sufficient to form a belief as to whether they were served on said Gould.

To the fifth Interrogatory it is aver-

To the sixth Interrogatory it answers:
No.

To the seventh Interrogatory it answers:
That it obtained possession of
the property mentioned in said
Interrogatory at the time therein
mentioned, as security for certain
advances made to the complain-
ant Harrington and other advances
subsequently made to said Auto-
matic Telegraph Company ^{and} not
otherwise.

To the eighth Interrogatory it answers:
That it did buy of George Little the
whole and entire title to all the
patents issued to him, as mentioned
in the Bill of Complaint but with-
out any reference to the stock of
this defendant or to the memoran-
dum dated December 30, 1874.

All which matters and things this
defendant is ready and willing
to aver, maintain and prove, as
this honorable Court shall direct
and humbly prays to be hence,

dismissed with its reasonable
costs and charges in this behalf
most wrongfully sustained.



The Atlantic & Pacific Tel. Co.
By A. B. Chandler
Secretary.

McC Daniel Lummis & Southern
Sols. for Defendant
The Atlantic and Pacific
Telegraph Company

Ernest W. P. Wheeler
of counsel.

United States of America } S.S.
Southern District of New York }

Albert Chandler

being duly sworn does depose
and say, that he is the Secretary
of the Atlantic & Pacific Telegraph
Company, one of the defendants
named in the foregoing answer
subscribed by him, and sealed
with the seal of said Company

that he had read the same and knows Al.
the contents thereof and that the
same is true of his own know-
ledge except as to those matters then
in stated on information and de-
claration and as to those matters he
swears he believes it to be true
subscribed and sworn to } before me this 23rd day of
August 1894 at New York City

(L.S.)

Edmund Lyon
Notary Public Kings Co.
Not filed in N.Y. Co.

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Correspondence, some by Edison; memoranda, agreements, orders, receipt, circulars, clippings.

Not selected: duplicate copies of correspondence, duplicate circulars.



Good H. Bliss, Genl. Mgr.

220 to 232 KINZIE ST.

Chicago Jan'y 8 1878

A. A. Edison Esq.,

Marble Park, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

Gray's telephone is as follows. He has a cast iron keeper or magnet hung into the shape of a handle. So on one end is attached a small plate, through which the current of three cells Callahan battery is constantly closed. The other end is connected to the diaphragm. Attached to the magnet mentioned but insulated from it is another small coil which connects to the line. The coil is split up to give freedom of change & discharge. The current in magnet No. 1 induces magnet in coil. This in No. 2 & the movement of the diaphragm throws the impulse to line as usual. The action of the telephone is about as loud as bell but the articulation is very much better. The Bell telephone deteriorates and Gray's arrange more wide & deeply be constant. I do not think it can be compared to your & business of time and believe your articulation equally well although the



Good H. Bliss, Genl. Mgr.

220 to 232 KINZIE ST.

Chicago

Advantage if any is in that direction. It is a better thing than Philips but they have all got to be better than yet. Accomplish to keep your instrument from decaying the full practically. Gray has made a fair proposition which is to put in all his foreign telephones patent including Harmonica into a pool with yours at a small minimum price. His ideas of price are very reasonable and I believe would strengthen matters. What would you think of this on the basis of 30 cent valuation of something like that?

Respectfully,

Geo. H. Bliss

G. M.

Cedar Hill Mass. Jan. 3rd.

Mrs L. Edison

Dear Sir

I give a good many
lectures hereabouts upon the telephone and
I should be extremely glad to have one
of your patent simply for lecture pur-
poses, also your Phonograph, if you
have any made or will permit me to
make one - giving directions. I should
be able to interest a good many in
your work.

So if you can furnish
me with either or both please to let me
know at what cost and oblig'e me.

If you will permit me to do so
I should be glad to publish in the next
edition of my book on the telephone
a description of both those instruments.
I should have been glad to have had
your telephone described in the first edition
but it was finished before I had heard
of it. That is, it was written last year.

Yours truly

A. E. Doehner

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The rates of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the Standard Blank of the Company, which are printed in the standard printed form, which conditions have been agreed to by the several participating companies.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't; New York.
A. R. BREWER, Sec'y.

Dated January 26th 1878
Received at Menlo Park
On Thos. A. Edison

I want platina Rubber
Tube and tin for telephone

10 Collected

J. J. Murray



Rec'd Edison.

The W. U. are making 700 Gray Battery telephones, in an order. When Barton was in N.Y. he was given an order for 6000 cc magnets & \$4,000 and 3000 cc telephones. Above the time of O'Brien trial of your telephone the \$4,000 cc part of order was counter marked. The \$1,000 cc part showed on Gray & Barton's statement to Mr. O'Brien that they would be paid. Factory - Gray's experiments have not been satisfactory to him thus far so they are not marked. Gray is going to exhibit in White, dental department at the French Exposition. They are just sending a man over to push Gray telephone interest in Europe so Barker will have a third man to encounter or well as Rich.

Yr Ltr B



The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message books of the Company, and not on any other paper or card, which conditions have been agreed to by the members of the following message:

MAIN OFFICE, SOUTH EAST COR. THIRD & CHESTNUT STS.

Dated Philadelphia, 2nd Dec 2nd 1878

To Mr. A. Edison

Esteemed friend,

I am calm, waiting for the battery telephone, promised yesterday or today.

I am the more anxious as Capt. Merriam is trying to work the Phelps Magneto telephone today 6.2 from Wilmington Del and this City - 30 miles. I am satisfied that if I had your help now within a few days I can make a good test. Mrs. H. Bentley

J. T. MURRAY,
MANUFACTURER OF
TELEGRAPH INSTRUMENTS.

NO. 10 & 12 WARD STREET.

Newark, N. J., Dec 5th 1878

Chas. Batchelor Esq
Sir

I lost the piece of cork of Diaphram can you send me sample I got Rubber Tube precise like sample - Please send me cork as soon as possible as Jim has no guide for Model of Cork I am to blame

Truly yours
J. T. Murray

I had to make punch cut Platina



220 to 232 KINZIE ST.

THOS. A. EDISON ESQ.

MENLO PARK, N. J.

DEAR SIR:

YOUR NOTE OF THE 3RD IS AT HAND.
AM GLAD TO HEAR THAT THE BELL PEOPLE ARE
GOING TO ~~THEIR~~ CONSOLIDATE WITH THE WESTERN UNION
PEOPLE.

IF THE EDISON, BELL, GRAY & OTHER PATENTS
ARE CONSOLIDATED THE BUSINESS CAN BE HELD AND
I BELIEVE WILL PROVE THE MOST PROFITABLE COMBINA-
TION EVER MADE IN THIS COUNTRY.

THE WESTERN UNION
CO. WITH IT'S RAMIFICATIONS ARE THE ONLY ONES
WHO CAN WATCH THE WHOLE TERRITORY AND KEEP IN-
FRINGERS OUT.

IT WILL BE HARD WORK ANY WAY.

ALREADY
Y I HEAR OF PARTIES AT DIFFERENT POINTS WHO
OFFER TELEPHONES AT VERY SMALL RATES.

IF THERE
SHOULD BE NO COMBINATION AND AN EXPENSIVE AND
LONG FIGHT BE INAUGERATED THE WHOLE BUSINESS WOULD
GO TO THE DOGS THE SAME AS THE HILL AND CALLAUD
BATTERY PATENTS WERE DISSIPATED.

I SHOULD VERY
MUCH LIKE TO SEE A COMBINATION IN FOREIGN COUN-
TRIES AND BELIEVE YOU WILL YET BE CONVINCED OF
THE WISDOM OF IT.

THE WESTERN ELECTRIC ROYALTY
STATEMENT FOR NOV. & DEC. WAS SENT TO YOU ON THE
1ST AND IF NOT AT HAND I WILL SEND YOU A DU-
PLICATE.

I WILL SEE THAT YOU GET THIS STATEMENT
REGULARLY EACH MONTH HEREAFTER.

IN REGARD TO FUNDS
YOU WILL GET A LIST THAT WILL BE GRATIFYING
VERY SOON.



220 to 232 KINZIE ST.

T. A. EDISON ESQ.

MENLO PARK, N. J.

DEAR SIR:

YOUR NOTE OF 5TH AT HAND.

GLAD TO
HEAR OF THE SUCCESSFUL WORKING OF YOUR TELE-
PHONE AND I DONT SEE HOW IT CAN FAIL TO.
BE THE ONE FINALLY ADOPTED FOR PRACTICAL USE
WHERE-EVER A BATTERY INSTRUMENT IS REQUIRED.

IT
SEEMS QUITE WELL UNDERSTOOD HERE THAT THE
BELL PARTY WILL COME INTO THE WESTERN UNION
CAMP AND I THINK IT IS THE SENSIBLE THING
FOR THEM TO DO.

THE WAY TO MAKE MONEY IN THE
TELEPHONE FIELD IS TO JOIN FORCES AND PRESENT
A SOLID FRONT.

THERE WILL BE ENOUGH OF THE
SPOILS TO SATISFY ALL IF THE BASIS OF AGREE-
MENT IS EQUITABLE.

IF THE W. U. PEOPLE CARRY
THEIR POINT THEY WONT MIND PILING UP A GOOD
HIGH SCRAP HEAP.

RESPECTFULLY,

Geo. H. Bliss
GEN. MAN.



T. A. EDISON ESQ.
MENLO PARK, N.J.

FEB. 9TH, 1878

DEAR SIR:

PLEASE SEND ME OUT A PAIR OF
YOUR TELEPHONES WITH A BILL IF YOU WISH.
THE PEOPLE HERE ARE ANXIOUS TO TRY THEM.
IF YOU WANT SOME TO GO ABROAD WE WILL
MAKE YOU SOME FIGURES ON THEM.

I SUPPOSED YOU
HAVE THE CLAIMS MADE SO NO ONE CAN INJURE
YOUR PATENTS.

IF THE THING IS REALLY THE BEST
I WILL TRY BRING THESE PEOPLE ROUNDT TO THE SAME
VIEW.

THE BEST IS BOUND TO WIN AND THEY MAY
AS WELL COME TO IT FIRST AS LAST.

RESPECTFULLY,

Gen. H. Bliss
GEN. H. BLISS

W. C. Dodge, Jr. Post.

W. C. Dodge, Jr. Post.

The Ansonia Clock Co.

No. 197 216 Cliff Street.

A. H. Carter, Jr. & Son.

N. J. Carter, Jr. & Son.


New York, Feb 16 1878.
J. A. Edison Esq.
Dear Sir
I am sorry that the Iron
wire he hard on soft for
telephones and I hope a higher
quality will be made now to be
turn
Respectfully yours
Wm J. Davis



Mr. G. J. -

Amis of 2-10 to hand-
I cannot go into the foreign
thing or ask anyone to do it,
unless I have some security that
it will not be poured into
a rat hole if any is obtained.
I don't see any reason why
you or anyone else can hope
to get anything on the present
basis: I am in favor of letting
things soak! No security too much
to be fooled one six or eight
more in some direction by the
same men. I don't pay! The
basis must be defined, & the
things handled by bare non-fick!

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all negotiations on Bell HUK
will be formally closed to-morrow.
Bell & will be put into a stock
co's instead of trust concern as
now & a fight made on WLL
& all inquiries at once. This
is now in the top shape! Now let
E crowd WLL for decision &
purchase or a release on his
Telephone. Go see him & have
him come down here this week
without fail! There are some
things he wants to see to, or
he won't get any Patent on some
of his important ^{Telephone} claims. There
is some jiggling going on & things
he can't write about or anyone
else. Write me when he will
come 
you come too soon

My DVE

I meant to show
you this & forgot
it. Note what it

says about Telephone
Co. & your coming
to Washn -

Yours
Ed Whelan

Philadelphia Local Telegraph Company.
GOLD AND STOCK REPORTING TELEGRAPH.

Superintendents Office,

Henry Gentley.



PRESIDENT.

Philadelphia.

107 S. Third St.

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Irving Edison.

That pair of
Edison Telephones which you sent
me, as per agreement, a week or
two since, are *magnum opus*. I really
cannot tell how delighted Prof.
Baker of the University of Kansas
and several others — Scientific
gentlemen — were ^{and} overcome by them
having waited so long and anxious
for them since our great effort
on No. 7 Smith.

Although I did not promise
to send you notice of the *magnum opus*,
my brother, I do so nevertheless.
and may you shadow *me* your good
Lp. Yours faithfully, waiting and never
failing, but always hoping, B. B. Smith.

HENRY BENTLEY, President
WM. P. WHEATLAND, Sec'y and Treas.
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Philadelphia, 2nd Mo. 21st 1878.

Friend Edison.

I have yours of yesterday, and I also received information from the gentlemen to whom you refer in your letter to-day, that it was desired to have me express an opinion upon the merits of your Carbon Telephone. You may rest assured, my friend, that everything possible to be done, will be done, and also every point, that in our opinion can be improved, I shall hasten to inform you, that you may have every chance possible, to sustain yourself before this wicked world. The sooner you send them the better it will please me, and for a reason, which I will explain to you hereafter, I hope you will send a ^{short} couple of pair immediately—that is in case you can do so without unduly completing them. I saw a little phonograph cylinder over in the Gold & Stock room the other day when I was in New York.

Is it not possible for you to let me have one of those for a short period in my big room at Third Chestnut etc. to show to some of the scientific men here, and I will take a heap of trouble to do so. ^{Very truly,} Henry Bentley.
so faithfully, ^{signed to letter to} H. Edison.



St. Christened St.

Wila Feb 25/78

Friend Edison.

I saw Mr. O on Saturday and he seemed very much interested in the proposed trial of your Carbon Telephone by me.

I have a special reason for making this trial at as early a date as possible - if you have them so I can be so. Of course I don't wish to hurry you unduly - but my reason is a good one and for your good - if it's good for anything.

That article in the "Sun" was truly great and that statement of your working to me in the District of the "wire" is exciting a great number

of inquiries of me from
many sections — I presume
on account of its not being
entirely believed. I judge that
such parties are to be stunned
yet worse than that. I went to
the office of the N.Y. Sun Saturday
to see if I could get a few
copies of it but they had not a
copy left. Perhaps you may
have a few copies you could
send me — or of some other
paper which might have copied
it entire. I have seen copies
of portions of it in other papers
but not entire.
I want to try and get it republished
in the "Telegraph" here.

Yours truly
Thos. Addison
Member Socy
N.Y. N.Y.
86. 154. 474.
179 Broadway

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't, } New York
A. R. BREWER, Sec'y, }

Dated New York City July 25th 1878

Received at _____
By G. A. Edison

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Sillitown has not any of
'wise' that you want. will
I order ^{it} can get ⁱⁿ two
day's answers

James Adams
20 New Church St

20 DN

Da und Ho



THOS. A. EDISON ESQ.

MENLO PARK, N. J.

DEAR SIR:

YOURS OF 22ND AT HAND.

GRAY USES
A CONDENSER ROUND SIGNAL BELLS WHICH ALLOWS ANY
NUMBER OF OFFICES TO BE IN A TELEPHONE CIR-
CUIT.

HE ALSO HAS A NEW ARRANGEMENT OF THE MAGNETO TELEPHONE SIMILAR TO BELLS WHICH I MUST SAY IS VERY CLEAR AND NICE. HE BENDS THE MAGNET IN THE MIDDLE AND BRINGS THE ENDS CONVENIENTLY NEAR TO EACH OTHER. TO EACH END OF THE MAGNET HE ATTACHES A TELEPHONE. BETWEEN THE TWO HE PLACES THE MOUTH PIECE AND THE AIR CHAMBER IS COMMON TO BOTH. BY THIS MEANS HE MAGNIFIES THE EFFECT OF THE VOICE SO AS TO USE A THICK DIAPHRAM WHICH OBVIATES TO A GREAT EXTENT THE INTERFERENCE SOUNDS AND MAKES THE VOICE COME VERY CLEAR EVEN ON CITY LINES. IT IS NOT SO LOUD BUT THE TALKING COMES CLEAR AND INTLLIGIBLE. IT IS A GREAT IMPROVEMENT OVER BELL'S VERY LOW CONVERSATION CAN BE UNDERSTOOD ON THE WIRE FROM THIS OFFICE TO GRUB STAGGER'S ON THE SAME VOLTS ETC. MANY OTHER WIRE

THE CHICAGO TIMES COPIED THE SUN
ARTICLE. IT WAS GOOD. VERILY YOU ARE GETTING
FAMOUS.

I SHALL BE EXCEEDINGLY GLAD TO GET THE PHOTOGRAPH IN ANY SHAPE. IS THAT WHAT YOU WANT FIGURES OR IN LOTS OF 500 OR 1000. I COULD NOT TAKE OUT FROM THE OTHER LETTER.

WRITE MOST OF MY LETTERS ON THE TYPE WRITER
NOW OUT RIGH WITH THE PEN.

What clock
may well
of your
for the
to
can
at
ty
ans
and
ds
any
are
man

OFFICE OF

A. H. Eaton.

CHEMIST.

MANUFACTURER OF PRISMS, SPECTROSCOPES, ETC.,

66 HENRY STREET.

Brooklyn, N. Y., Feb 27th 1878

Dear Edison

The glass
you inquire for would have
to be made specially for
you, I do that kind of work
and will undertake to see you
if you wish. How many would
you require

Prof. Nyquist and three or
four other professional gentlemen
have expressed a wish
to call upon you at West
Park, and see the wonders of
the place, if you can spare
any time when you will be

W. K. Easton
sufficiently put in me,
will send them to you
this - former

W. K. Easton

I may require a 1000, but want
24 immediately. I use the disks
which are ~~the~~ cleanest &
flow the best for my Carbon
telephone, for passing down the
platinum disk on Carbon button
by cleaving the Ivory wood
Vulcanite etc. cracks or warps
by pressure due to pressure
off current through Carbon
How much per 1000 or doz
They must be flat, well
renewed when
new ones

(Feb. 27/78)

Wednesday -

Edin.

Mr. C. called
me yesterday morning,
and asked "what I
knew about" Adams
going to Phila. I told
him that I was down
to see you Monday,
and you expected a
t. 9. down Tuesday
evening. He said
that Marshaw had
false instructions,

2.
and that he had
asked Bentley to
give his personal
aid and attention -

On closing the
conversation he as
good as said that
four \$100. had got
to do the "long
and hard work
of burnt lines -

I think he has
great hopes of a
good report from
Phil's niece -

Tuller Feb 27. 78

Telephone

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(Feb)
Thursday Mo

Edison. The assignment
~~as all~~ application
is satisfactory - no
blame attached to
any body connected.

At a Telephone
Co. meeting this
Mr. Bush C. was
called upon to
report progress on
the E. T. Tel. He
came on Bentley
by wire as to

"how thing was
now working with
him"

Prophet
"No Edison, no
Adams, No Telephone,
no nothing from
E. or any body"

O. thinks he is
ahead now, and
says he "is waiting
for a chance to
buy your Machine
and play for" —

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Say if E. has
anything to sell
to get it out.

Wanted to know
"if the sets of app
for Phil were
done and ready to
go." I assured
him that A. or some
one would go down
there tomorrow.
John A. Little

Phil. March 4th 1878
Mr. A. Edison

for record
over 4-78

Telephones work O. K. call
Bells dont work with Calland
worked a 220 Mils current all
right Mr Bentley said you know
him one of the small Phonograph
and there has been good many
reporters here asking about it
if you are going to send it down
do so while I am here, if you have
got a large one send it. Mr Bentley
wrote to Mr. Orton about the ~~several~~
attempts which was red hot induction
on those wires not half as bad as
New York. Send Phonograph to
Mr Bentley it will help as more than
you think Prof. Barker was here to
day and heard telephone on a
60 mill ~~amp~~ wire Bentley speaks well
of teleph

Merle Park March 18/18

James Edmunds Esq

Dear Sir

I shall send two Envelopes
monday morning with me to on ~~the~~ kite to test with
new calls

Your

Chas. Patterson

C.

Recurrent is not
worth a god damn
they are not strong enough
magnetized, every body is delighted
with telephones will you keep
local No 7. so I can get you

any time,

P. S. don't forget Phonograph

new York 7/12/42. 4-6
Caldison

manager returns robinson
at philo, requests you to look
out for him on no 7 &
at three o'clock Bussey km for
the test telephone sig
downer



17 Buntley

Mar. 17, 78

Phila 3/16/78

Friend Edison:

I was going to suggest the very changes you are making - at least 3 of them. We have not had success with your Receiving for there was really scarcely any permanent mag. in them. We soon saw the trouble. But we look on that as of little importance as it is easily remedied. It seems to me as if there was no limit to this thing. I want to get the things now coming from you and then I

am going to bring the new
paper down in. Of course
to make up for the loss
of power in the small
induction coil I will
put on more cells for
a long test. With the
arrangement as I want
it I will let you know
when to go over to Drexel
in N.Y. and have a test
on his wire this week
one day. When I think
of the limited scope of
the Magneto this Carbon
telephone seems odd.
I want the Phonograph
now and then I will have
a newspaper getting. After
I am going to help Prof.
Barkworth in his lecture
apparently in June or
Adams is doing it. H. Bentley.

OFFICE OF

A. H. Eaton.

OPTICIAN,

MANUFACTURER OF PRISMS, SPECTROSCOPES, ETC.,

66 HENRY STREET,

Brooklyn, N. Y., June 6th 1875

Dear Sir,

I have been
out of town and I should have
answered your letter.

The glasses would be worth
by the single day \$2.00 per day
by the hundred much less.
After making a careful
estimate, I have definitely

Yours

A. H. Eaton

J. D. E.

Phil. Med. & 78

Let him the experiment
with diaphragm for Giant
Sundown but he could
not get as much Sundown
as from the Giant = Can
refer us any new ideas
to try again do so & will go for it
I hope articles

P.O. No. 745.

George Wallis,
New Bedford.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,
Western Union Buildings.

New York, March 14 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq

Manus Park.

Dear Sir

Mr. Weston has handed
me the letter of the Bethlehem Iron Co.
of March 11th. The statements of it struck
me with so much surprise that I have
investigated the matter and find that
since the first letter I probably did
misjustice that your telephone was
mentioned in it, as I receive
just many such letters. I turned
it over to Capt. Pratt, who in turn
endeavored now to Capt. Merrick,
in whose district Bethlehem is,
although where the order would be
executed. I have not learned
what answer Mr. Merrick made.

It justifies the statement of
you correspondent, it can only
be because ~~we~~ we had no
no information or instructions
from this office as to any other
than the Phelps' telephone, as
we have had no other to send
out. Mr. Scott understands, and
will as all do in this office,
that the highest expectations
are entertained here of the
results to obtained in practice
by the use of the telephone
which you are now inspecting.

The Meeting - 1875
July 14, 75

Respectful & yours

George M. Allen

V.P.

Form 203.

American Dist. Telegraph Co.,

NEW YORK.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES
452 Broadway,
Messenger Department,
33 & 35 BRIDGE ST.

SUPERINTENDENT'S
AND
Auditor's Offices,
516 BROADWAY.

Charles H. Ballis

N. Y. Nch. 14 1878

J. A. Edison Esq

Menlow Park. - N. J.

Sir

It occurs to me that if you make the receiver of a telephone in the shape of a humming top and introduce the wire through the pin on which it revolves, that by spinning it by an electric motor you can increase or decrease the volume of sound at pleasure, according to the speed at which it spins.

Yrs. respt

Charles H. Ballis

S. E. corner 5th & Walnut Sts
Philada

Philadelphia & Reading Railroad Company ^{N. W. Haug, Secy} Mar 14, 78

Ponding, Pa. March 14, 1878.

Friend Edison

It is likely that we will need quite a number of telephones for different purposes at points along this road. I have tested Bell's and Phelps' but find that as far as their transmitters are concerned, they will not answer for the purposes required, the sound of their receiver being too weak and overcome by the movement of trains and noise of telegraph sounders.

I tested your transmitter in Mr. Barthe's office, Philada, yesterday and must say that it is quite an improvement.

As soon as you have made all the required improvements both in your transmitter and receiver, I wish you would send me two of each for testing purposes.

along our road. I will
give them a good test and
should they meet our re-
quirements I will see that
they take the place of
the bell and other telephone
along this road and will
also influence the Lehigh
Valley and Panna. R. R. officials
in the matter.

Yours truly
J. M. Spang
Capt. U.S.A.

P.S. I have my rail system
of signaling in practical operation
and it makes well on this
road. As soon as business
revives I will arrange for its
introduction. At present R. R. Co's.
are dead broke.

I send you a copy of circular on
my lightning protection work.
You will notice that I have
made use of the invention made
of me in your letter to me accompanying
one from a party in Cincinnati.
As you are the best electrician I
have placed your testimonial at
the end.

LAW OFFICES OF
CHARLES H. T. COLLIS,
ROBERT N. WILLSON,

S. E. Corner Fifth & Walnut Streets.

Philadelphia, Me. 16 1898

Dear Sir

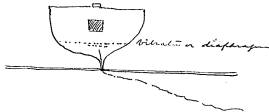
I don't know what the suggestion I made to you amounts to anything, but thought you might like to make the experiment -

As you know the spinning of a humming top generates sound, & it occurred to me it could be utilized to augment the volume of sound produced within itself by vibration - The trouble about the telephone now is its strain upon both the lungs & the ears -

J. Q. Edison

Yrs Truly

Charles H. T. Collis



Gold & Rock Telegraphic Company

N^o. 200 3/4

Western Union Buildings

George Wallis,
Per. President

New York. N^o. 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq.
'Mentor Park
'New Jersey.

Dear Sir,

The Bethlehem Iron Co. of Bethlehem
Penn are very anxious to have your instru-
ments. We have sent them the Phelps,
but they would prefer to try yours.

If you have these sets (transmitters
and receivers) which you would be willing
to send to them through Mr. Wickard at
Philadelphia we should be extremely glad
to try them. I have promised the Beth-
lehem Co that, if you have not the in-
struments ready as yet, they shall have
them to substitute for Phelps the moment
we have any which you are
satisfied that we shall send

to them.

Yours very truly,

George Woodard
Vine Street.



Office of
JOS. F. HOOVER,

FORWARDING AND COMMISSION MERCHANT.
 1876 1876

And Dealer in Grain, Coal, Lumber, Salt, Coal Oil, Produce, &c.

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HARTSH-GIVIN,

HARTSH-GIVIN—Pres't Farmers' Bank, Capital, \$25,000.
HARTSH-GIVIN—Pres't Mt. Holly Paper Co.



JOS. F. HOOVER & CO.,
 Dealers in

Grain, Coal, Lumber, Salt, Coal Oil.

PRODUCE, &c.

FREIGHT AGENTS SOUTH MOUNTAIN RAILROAD.

Mt. Holly Springs, Pa., 187

Mt. Holly Springs, Pa., 11/16/87
 Sir,

I have read with
 my great interest and attention,
 the different notices issued,
 in your wonderful and entirely
 unofficial incalculable, multiple
 with and particularly a late one
 in reference to experiments with
Carbon Telegraph and Airphone.
 Would you please favor by inform-
 ing us whether the Carbon Telegraph
 could be attached to a common telegraph
 wire running North, South (say for
 a distance of 20 thirty miles) in the
 center, & messages sent to terminate
 either way, and returned to come or
 any of other points, all over some wire,
 or whether would require other
 than single wire, used in common
 electric telegraph today.

It would be pleased to have as much
 information in the matter as would
 be in order to give, and also in-
 vited to cost of instrument &c,
 or of every thing connected with
 the using of it.
 Hoping to hear from you in-
 mediately,

Yours very truly
 Jos. F. Hoover
 212 Fifth Ave.,

The Carbon Telegraph will work
 in any line where a wire
 is used, will work.

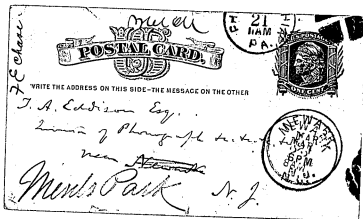
Yours further to 4 Busby

903 Clinton St. 736290
245439
Phila. March 21. 1897

Dear Sir

If you can find time to send me
a copy of the report, with your notes to explain, in the
case of 1:3.1416 (diameters to circumference), I think
it likely that you will get some new and perhaps
important results. You might also try the ratio
1:11.657.

Yours Respectfully,
J. L. Chase.



W-3-21-78

My dear

I send you copy of
"Scribner" showing the
programme to skin you
& Bell! There will be
a descent made on that
crew before ~~seeing~~ ^{by} by
US Marshals that will
show them that there is a
Patent Law -

I hear that Vanderbills
son is one is to have sister
place this fall!

If you have not done
so, send me son telephones
in brief - Be true to yourself
& I'll stand by you -

W. B. Miller

Memoranda.
HILBORNE L. ROSSSETZ,
CHARLES A. CHEREVER,
P. O. Box 5529.

THE TELEPHONE COMPANY OF NEW YORK,
32 TRINE BUILDING,

New York, March 22^d 1878

Dear Edison

I see there is a chap just patented
a rubber ring to go around the edge of a
Telephone for the purpose of excluding sounds.
Patent dated March 5th No 201,060.

As this fellow apparently is doing what I did
a good while ago with those rubber pieces which
I gave you yesterday, it becomes important
that I should have a couple of them back, as
I had them made a good many months ago
and may need them for exhibit as evidence.

Please send me two of them back, you can
keep the rest, send two as different ^{from each other} as possible
that I can have them to swear by.

Remember how the rest look if there is
anything particular in their shape, so that
if necessary to prove any particular form
or shape we can do so

Yours Truly

Charles A. Cherever

Go for him, I had it
a year ago for my
leg. I can't if you
can't catch him
I can -

(over)

Memorandum

Pittsburgh, Pa. 22: 1878.

OFFICE OF THE
CENTRAL DISTRICT & PRINTING
TELEGRAPH CO.

And. E. E.

My dear Sir - Mr. Bentley has just
referred a letter which you forwarded
to him from R. S. Mc Donnell Allegheny
city - The procedure strikes me
as being exceedingly strange, in view
of our intercourse, and I feel
bound to ask the counsel of
treating me as - I don't habitually
care that the letter, or any letter is
referred to Mr. Bentley, but under
the circumstances it does, as I have
said, strikes me as being strange, as you
knew I was on the ground and fully

to you -
now I want to ask you, in
all candor, if you have been
instigated by ~~the~~ parties in New York
not communicate with me on the
subject of your telephone -
Yours Truly,

David

Telephone

1777-Telephone

10 Second Ave
March 18

Confidential

Wash D. C. May 22, 1898

My dear Edison,

I will be
in N.Y. Monday.

There will be some 14
Telephone interferences
declared next week.
You better come to my
office Monday see
me about it.

J. C. Keiff

J. C. Keiff

May 22, 1898

Wash D. C.

ATTORNEY GENERAL
ENDS BY WASHINGTON, D.C.

OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
WASHINGTON, D.C.

Office of
Western Electric Manufacturing Co.
24 to 22 Spring Street, Chicago.

MARCH 20, 1879

GEO. H. BLISS, GEN. AGENT

NEW YORK

DEAR SIR:---

I WISH YOU COULD CONVINCE EDISON OF THE FACT THAT HIS BEST INTEREST, TELEPHONICALLY, LIES IN COOPERATING WITH US TO SECURE THE ADOPTION OF HIS TRANSMITTING TELEPHONE BY THE GOLD & STOCK.

I THINK THAT GRAY TAKES VERY LITTLE STOCK IN HAVING THE TELEPHONES GO BY HIS NAME. THEY ARE MAKING THE PHELPS INSTRUMENTS IN NEW YORK, AND PRESSURE IS BEING USED TO EXTEND THAT STYLE AND TITLE OF TELEPHONES, AS YOU AND EDISON WELL KNOW.

I BELIEVE THAT EDISON'S INSTRUMENT IS OF SUFFICIENT MERIT TO SECURE ITS ADOPTION SOONER OR LATER, CERTAINLY FOR A TRANSMITTING INSTRUMENT, OVER BOTH THE PHELPS DUPLEX AND THE GRAY BI-POLAR.

FOR THE CREDIT AND PRESTIGE OF GETTING STARTED ON THAT FIRST, WE SHOULD LIKE TO USE ALL THE INFLUENCE THAT WE CAN COMMAND TO GET ITS MERITS ACKNOWLEDGED, AND THEN WE SHOULD GET STARTED MANUFACTURING THEM ON AN EXTENSIVE SCALE AHEAD OF ANY ONE ELSE.

I DO NOT THINK IT WOULD BE AT ALL DIFFICULT TO CONVINCE GRAY AND GEN. STAGER OF

THE MERITS OF EDISON'S SYSTEM. CAN'T YOU
GET EDISON TO SEND US OUT SOME OF HIS BEST
MACHINES?

HENRY BENTLEY IS ALL VERY WELL, BUT WE
CAN DO MORE FOR HIM IN THIS DIRECTION THAN
FORTY BENTLEYS.

THE ABOVE ARE MY PERSONAL VIEWS, WHICH
I SHOULD NOT CARE TO HAVE QUOTED AS MINE,
EXCEPT IN QUARTERS WHERE IT MIGHT BE OF SER-
VICE TO OUR SIDE OF THE HOUSE. YOU CAN
JUDGE WHAT COURSE TO TAKE TO ACCOMPLISH THE
DESIRED END, WITHOUT GIVING ANYBODY AWAY.

YOURS TRULY,

Edw M Barton

SEC'Y

William Otten,
President.

Executive Office.

Western Union Telegraph Company.

New York, March 22 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq

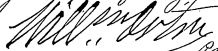
Dear sir:

Referring to our recent interviews, at which the subject of the Telephone has been discussed, and to your written memorandum proposing to fix the royalty to be paid to you under the contract of March 22, 1877, I beg to say:

That although by the terms of the contract we are entitled to have "three months satisfactory trial" after the complete issue of Bell's patent, I am not disposed to avail myself of so much time, and yet it will be necessary for

us to have reasonable and proper time in which to make such trials as shall be deemed advisable. I trust, therefore, that you will furnish us with at least one set of Telephones as soon as they can be produced, and as soon thereafter as a satisfactory trial is had and an examination can be made of your pending claims for patents, I shall be ready to close up the matter.

This is the substance of my understanding of what was expressed at our interview yesterday, and I put it in writing only to avoid possible misunderstandings.

Very respectfully,

President

War Department,

SIGNAL SERVICE, U. S. ARMY.

Office of Observation, Chamber of Commerce Building.

Philadelphia, March 16th 1878

Mr. Thos. Edison
(Mant Park)
New Jersey -

Sir

Your fame as a successful inventor of electrical appliances has prompted me in taking the liberty of addressing you in reference to a long felt need in our Service of a simple instrument for registering on paper, by aid of wire and battery, the position of the wind vane -

The register to be capable of recording not less than eight points of the compass, i.e. N., N.E., E., S.E., S., S.W., W., N.W. & to record such positions at intervals of not more than five minutes each.

We have such an instrument in use at a few of our stations, but on account of its expense, complicated construction & great difficulty of getting out of

order, it is not satisfactory -

I will continue with the ~~elaboration~~
of the construction of instrument ~~described~~
to you which you will most readily
understand what we need.

Hoping you will have the
opportunity to ~~consideration~~

Very Respectfully,
F.M.M. Beall

Signal, Conn. Cir.
133 South 9th St.
Philad.

file Edison

so you can determine the condition of my
invention. As the telephone have already
had an exhaustive test by an officer of
your organization Mr. Beall, and as
my whole expenditure ^{of patent matter} since 1874 - have
been a matter of record and accessible to
the officers of your Co. having that matter
in charge I hope you will close the
matter at once as my offer was made
very low and based upon the supposition that
you were ready to close the contract at
once but if I am to be delayed, by officers
of your Co. who are personally inimical
to my interest I shall withdraw the offer
you

[DRAFT LETTER, EDISON TO WILLIAM ORTON; ATTACHED TO LETTER FROM F.M.M. BEALL]

My dear Mr. Brewster

As the day I expected Mr. May to
accept from a pen for my son the phone
provided for him to
transfer my interest in the telephone for \$100
after for 17 years - You to you letter to
me dated 1/1/1900. I was not able to accept my
offer but when a new proposition to
buy one from provided the instruments
in satisfactory & the price was
more than fair - I was not able to
this proposition, & I was not able to
agree with you to have a separate
agreement to determine the price
from the other party -

Memorandum
No 27-18

Memorandum

Pittsburgh, Dec 27, 1878.

OFFICE OF THE
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF PRINTING
TELEGRAPH CO.

Pres. E. C. Smith

Yours of the 26th inst. is recd - Thanks for
the information that you had sent gone over
my card, and order of the powers at 1444.
What you have to say about transferring
your experiments to Bechtel, because they
were slow to approve of what I did, does
not apply to me - What some were
wondering about to take up, and others were
condemned entirely, I had always and from
the first encouraged - I don't think
you ever had anything but words of praise
for me. Certainly I was always only
too anxious to test any improvement

You had made, and saying that I
felt somewhat hurt that you had left
me advised, and sent me letters without
to look — I have no doubt but
that all that was really is now going
through, I passed through some time since
and might have asked you —
I do not wish in that to be understood
as reflecting upon Reilly, or any, any,
or disapproving, for he is a good fellow,
and a diligent student —
Very faith in the telephone as a practical
instrument has been strong from the first,
(you know that) the record of others will
not show this —

Yours

W. D. Davis

1878-Telephone

Memorandum

Pittsburgh, Feb 25th 1878.

OFFICE OF THE
CENTRAL DISTRICT & PRINTING
TELEGRAPH CO.

James E. ...

*You had better refer this to Mr. Ruddy,
as Newdale is in the Eastern
part of the State -*

*Yours
J. E. ...*

W. J. Nick. 25/78.
Edim.

I was with
Mr. Corbin he dic-
tated his let. to you
to "come on Saturday"
the afternoon
said some other
things & which I
am at liberty to
mention to you -

Assuming you
will not now come
to the City Ill. Satdy
I purpose to go down
to Mendota tomorrow
either on 8 or 11
am train -

I will see Johnson
before I go (as to
taking anything from
him). Yours Miller

Orange N. J.,
March 28.

J. A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir.

I am desirous of establishing communications by telephone between a church + private house in this place.

I have only partially succeeded perhaps because I have only used the Bell Telephone - I would like very much to ask you if it is possible under the circumstances if you will do me the honor

of sitting a time when I can speak to you either in N. Y. city or at Menlo Park you will greatly oblige yours very
respect.

W. R. Howe.

P. O. Box 753

Orange N. J.

Canaan
Writing my most respectful
Wm. O. W. will be my
for my telephone
Edison

Month No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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A. R. BREWER, Secy.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

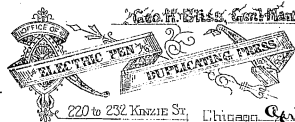
Dated Phila Apr 1st 1878

Received at _____

To J. A. Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

All right at
Eleven O'clock, Batchelor
leaves on five thirty train
Bentley-



to have such
a thing as an
Automatic
Pen?

220 to 232 KINZIE ST. Chicago. April 1 1878

N. A. Edison Esq.

Mindel Park, N. Y.

1878

Dear Sir:

Don't forget that only
days remain to get your exhibits
to Paris. Nothing will be received
after May 1st. My goods have al-
ready gone forward. I think when
his case goes into the patent office
that he shall make a book on the
Telephone. We have a bell shaped ring
with diaphragm on the inside a com-
mon magnet attracting diaphragm
also a bottle shaped arrangement
with diaphragm in place of bottom
and magnet outside attracting diaphragm.
both made in 1874 also model of
Water Telephone described in caveat
and there with other claims. I think
this, I believe to be certain.
Harmonic system he expects will



take him through with flying colors.
He even claims induction coil an-
nouncements in some of his patents.
He wants to know why the Bell
people dont hurry up and commence
suit and says they will be sued
unless the fight is begun by them.
I see nothing to change my opinion
that you have the telephone and
the party who gets it will have
a great advantage. I hope you
will get a good contract and be
able to look on a disinterested pair
talot. V. Post Walker of the Gold &
stock has been here. I think Gray
has realized on enough of his interest
so that he feels independent. He is
disposed to congratulate you on your good
telephone luck and thinks this is a case
where the inventors win!

Respectfully Geo. H. Bliss & Co.

William Orton
President
J. C. Winchman
Gen'l Supt.

Western Union Telegraph Company.
Eastern Division.

New York, April 5th 1878

Mrs. E. N. Johnson

Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir: The Editor of the "Globe" newspaper
at Rutland Vt. desires to give a telephone concert.
I suppose what he should give is a motograph concert.
I have forwarded one of your pamphlets to Supl.
Gates at N. R. Junction, who has charge of Rutland.

The question is, what do you ask for your ser-
vice in exhibiting the motograph at Rutland?

It can be operated on a line from Troy to Rutland
or on a short wire in the town.

Very respectfully

J. C. Winchman

Gen'l Supt. (P.S.)

Edison
Why refer to me
E.H.D.

constructed
Apr 8. 1878

Baltimore apl 8
Prof. Thos. A. Edison,
Dr. Sir -

I write you
to enquire if you would
like to introduce your
Telephone in this city.
If so I would like to get
the agency here. I am
in the private line business
& have some lines using
the same, but since the
introduction of the telephone
it is almost impossible to
get parties to use anything
else, with a good

telephone I could
build up a good business.
Bill's seems to be not
altogether satisfactory,
& several parties whom
I have seen in regard
to lines, I have induced
to wait (they have been
negotiating for lines with
Bill's telephones) telling
them there was a better
invest in the field.
I have a large acquaintance
among the business
community & am confident
I could do well with your
Telephone.

I would refer you to
Mr. Thos. Kennedy night
manager W. & O. of. N.Y.

I would be pleased
to hear from you at your
earliest convenience,
letting me know what you
will do in the matter.

Very respectfully
C. W. Crumbacker,
37 German St.,
near Light.
Baltimore.

Can you
answer this man -
W. & O.

My telephone belongs to the
W. & O. & I
refer you to them -

J. A. Edm.

NY J.A. Edison APG^h 10/18

If you are coming to town
this week please inform me
I wish to see you I have a
package for you.

J.C. Hinchman

J.W.D. Brown
Apr 9, 78

Dear Sir,

~~As per Mitchell~~
~~to the principle~~
~~of the~~

Dear Sir

It would work but
it would be very weak
and you could do
better direct -
~~you can find out~~

!

Yours Truly
J.W.D. Brown

THE
Edison Speaking Phonograph Company.

E. H. JOHNSON, General Agent,
P. O. Box 4229.

New York, April 10th 1878

Mr. Edison &
Dear Sir:

As to Mr. Stern making an Electro-
Moto-Telephone. If he is a friend
of yours certainly let him do so.
Perhaps it would be just as
well however not to be too liberal
in this direction I am quite
confident that Electro Photography
will yet be a great factor in
some of your electrical problems.
I am not at all certain it
won't even now do as a receiver
for your Carbon Telephone.

Yours Truly

E. H. Johnson

Get Stearns letter
& write him and
say you have my
permission to make
amusements telephone
for your own use
T.H.F.

Dear Sir.

By mistake we have sent you
a receiver without a spool.

Yours truly

W. E. B.

Yours truly.

L. Bergmann & Co. New York



N. Y. C.
APR 12
2 PM



WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE-THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

Mr Elias Batchler.
Mauls Park. N. Y.

From New York Apr. 12 178

To J O. Belier

At request of Mr. Oton please
call ~~and~~ see me soon.

Lm Phelps.
Ct.

HENRY BENTLEY,
President.
WM. F. WHEATLAND,
Sec'y and Treas.
SAMUEL M. FLINCH,
Superintendent.
HARRISON STILES,
Manager.

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SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.
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Philadelphia, 4th Mo. 16th 1878.

Mrs. Thos. A. Edison:
Menlo Park. N.J.,
Dear friend,

The Permanent Exhibition is now beginning to be an attraction and as the weather becomes pleasant, large numbers of people are going there. If I had another of your transmitters and an induction coil in a little bracket like Mr. Batchelor had down here, I would put it up out there in the Main Exhibition Building, along side of the Bell Telephone, which they have there, and connect it with my office at Third & Chestnut, and show the crowds that gather. Now how easily we could take the wind out of them.

Would you please send me down a set, and I will put it up there immediately? I do not believe you could do anything - just now - that would bring your Carbon Telephone before the notice of the public generally sooner.

I will put up a handsome explanatory notice over it.
Answer immediately.

Very truly, thy friend
Henry Bentley



Chicago, AP'L 16, 1878

T. A. EDISON ESQ.
MENLO PARK, N.J.

DEAR SIR:

THE W. E. ARE MAKING
1,000 BI-POLAR TELEPHONES AND 500 MAG-
NETO CALL BELLS FOR THE GOLD & STOCK.

THERE IS A PAIR OF THE GRAY
BATTERY TELEPHONES ON A LINE RUN-
NING FROM THE W. U. OFFICE HERE TO
THOS. ORTON'S SUPPLY DEP'T.

I TRIED THEM
A DAY OR TWO SINCE. THE INTERFER-
ANCE IS FRIGHTFUL. IN ORDER TO GET
ANYTHING THROUGH I HAD TO YELL THE
TOP OF MY HEAD OFF AND IF MY BUSI-
NESS HAD BEEN PRIVATE THE WHOLE BLOCK
WOULD HAVE KNOWN IT.

THEY TRIED A
BATTERY AND ALSO THE BI-POLAR AT THE
W. U. END. THE LATTER WAS THE BEST
BUT IT WAS THIN COMMUNICATION.

YOUNG WM
ORTON WAS AT THE W. U. OFFICE AT THE
W. U. END WHEN I TRIED THE THING.

HE LAUGHED AT THAT KIND OF TELE-
PHONING AND SWEARS BY THE EDISON
TELEPHONE.

TOM ORTON WANTS A PAIR OF
YOURS. DEAL

THERE IS A GOOD OF GROWL-
ING ABOUT THE BI-POLARS. ON A LINE
WITH 4 STATIONS OF COURSE TWO BELLS
WILL ALWAYS BE IN CIRCUIT. THESE
REDUCE THE VOLUME OF SOUND ONE HALF-
BY USING CONDENSERS ROUND THE
BELLS THE SOUND IS HELPED 1-4.



COMPARED WITH YOUR TELEPHONE THE
SOUND IS LOW AT THE BEST AND I FAIL
TO SEE ANYTHING IN THE MAGNETO THUS
FAR WHICH IS GOING TO MAKE IT AN
OBJECT TO DO WITHOUT BATTERY WHEN
THE OTHER POINTS ARE TAKEN INTO CONSID-
ERATION.

RESPECTFULLY,
GEO. H. BLISS

Wm. Edison Esq.

For your information, do not give Bliss away
please return.

W. Edison

box

Philadelphia Local Telegraph Company,

HENRY HESTLEY, President.
W. F. WHEATLAND, Sec'y & Treas.
SAMUEL N. FLESH, Mgrt.
HARRISON WILKES, Manager.

Financial, Commercial and General News Department,

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Philadelphia, *44* *Mo* *78* *8*

Friend Edison:

I am in receipt of your relation to the *pat* of Carbon phones for the Permanent Exhibition which re-opens with great éclat (that last is ok. I believe) and I am anxious to show the crowd that Edison's Carbon Telephone will work and be very audible even in the midst of any strong *how* *or* *large* and noise.

Well, our great and good friend is at rest at last. Peace to him. His like I shall we look upon it again? One of his last acts was to send to me the two pair of your Embossing and duplicating instruments for me to experiment with and see how we could best utilize them and as he did "make a fortune for them". They seem to be

a little out of order. I never,
either, fully comprehended your own
views and full expectations regard-
ing them. If you could come down
here and stay over night with me
and post my Supt. Mr. Pluck and
myself on them and set us right
on one or two points which now
seem to be disorganized in
them I would like it greatly,
and I think it would be
finally profitable to you—
that is if their future adoption
by the Co. is desired by you—
or would profit you. I expect
you have seen this editorial
from the N.Y. ^{Register} ~~Ex.~~ I ~~don't~~ ^{don't} like
this but for fear you might
have misread I enclose—It
good and just the honest
truth. That's all
yours ever

Henry Bentley

Come down & see us - if only
for a few hours - I take a
care of you

New York

Apr. 25th 78

Bethelany

Have four iron transmitters
started at once.

Edison

2-1 (Teleph)
AMERICAN DISTRICT TELEGRAPH CO.
OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Messengers, Police, Fire Department and Family Physician summoned instantly.
Principal Office, N. W. Cor. 14th and F Streets,
The Arlington.
Auxiliary Offices at: McClellan's Express 413 Penna. Ave.

WASHINGTON, D. C.

Apr 29/78

Mr. A. Edman
Mendel's

I want to
hear from
you by next
mail

My dear Sir
Referring to our
conversation when you were
here and what thinking I have
been doing since you left
together with your friend Mr
Portno's death I want to ask
you a leading question &
that is are you so committed
to the W. D. L. C. or your Carbon
Syndrom that you could not
give me the control of it
under certain circumstances
& if you could state the
circumstances it is wondrous

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WASHINGTON, D. C.

Mr. Edman the best telephone
in the world being sold
I would take right hold
of it or anything else of
yours if you would give
me a good share as I
cannot do myself
justice here owing to what
I explained to you when here
let me hear from you fully
on this subject and any
other which may be made
mutually beneficial
What effect is Portno's
death going to have upon
you financially yours sincerely
Edman

From New York

Menlo Park May 1. 78

To T A Edison

Please ask Johnson answer my letter
--- of Apr 5th in regard to giving telephone and
--- photographs of Rulland W

Resdy Batefulon

answer By

J. C. Hirschman

J. C. Hirschman -
New York
you will have to see
who has a receiver 203
1377 Broadway N.Y.

T A Edison

J. C. Hirschman
Menlo Park
All right will go for
him
J. C. Edison
May 1st
Batefulon

Menlo Park May 2, 1878

Eugene Phillips

Providence Rd

and by Express two

dozen Tel. phone cords - to day sure

T A Edison

Msg from New York
L. F. A. Edison Recd May 7th 1891

Will it be convenient for you to drop into
my office this afternoon and what time

Goodman

Sig

H. W. ~~Thombley~~
Klombly

~~New York~~

Thombley

May 7 2 pm

H. Thombley

~~H. H.~~ 197 Broadway—

Very busy today on telephone will call
next time I am in city
Edison

Geo Walker

Gold + Stock Tel Co
New York

Come tomorrow morning

Edison

The Western Union Telegraph Company's
MANUFACTORY,

G. M. PHELPS, Supr.

62 to 68 New Church Street.

New York, May 8 1878.

C. A. Edison Esq,

Dear

Yours at hand.

I have no glass desks yet.

I will let you know when
I find some good ones

Yours truly

G. M. Phelps

J. Merriam, Phil.
No thirty ~~two~~ two is
the wire we want not
thirty five
Edison

sent by Partridge
May 8

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New York 1
L. Y.A.E.

No thirty two is the local wire I meant
not thirty five please arrange accordingly

Sig

Griffin

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N.Y. L. Y.A. Edison

Will you remain at Mento Park thro
afternoon Supt Benson and myself
intended to have gone in company with
Messrs Walker and Keade but they left early
We may go on eleven or 3 p.m. train
What hour do they run to New York from
Mento Park ans.

Sig J. C. Hinchman —

Noted
May 8,

NEW-YORK STATE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

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Buffalo Free Press,
Buffalo Star,
Buffalo Watchman,
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Canton Democrat,
Canton Herald,
Canton Journal,
Lockport Journal,
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OFFICE IN W. U. TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S BUILDING,
Corner Broadway and Dey St.

JOHN A. SLEICHER, RESIDENT AGENT, NEW-YORK.

New York, May 9th 1878

**George Tiers & Associates,
George Tiers Inc.,
Poughkeepsie Radio,
Poughkeepsie News,
Radio Express,
Rochester Union,
Rochester Post-Journal,
Rochester Post-Express,
Rochester Post-News,
Saratoga Courier,
Saratoga Standard,
Saratoga Journal,
Schroton Valley,
Troy Times,
Troy Press,
Troy Mail,
Troy Daily Budget,
Union Herald,
Van Alstyne,**

Dear Sir: I am anxious to learn if your telephone could transmit a press report from here to Buffalo via Albany, so that it could be taken at the various points along the wire, just as my report is now taken from the regular transmission with one transmission for all offices.

If not convenient will
You please reply?

Truently Yours

John C. Stenches

To Hon. A. Edwards

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THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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Messages can be passed on only by means of a network lock to the sending station for comparison, and the Company will not be held liable for errors or delays in transmission or delivery of Unresponded Messages.

This message is an UNRESPONDED MESSAGE and is delivered by request of the sender under the condition

A. R. BREWER (Sec'y)

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't

Dated 17th May 1878

Received at _____

To Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

I want one button for
one of the old style
transmitters. Don't like to
ask Barker

A Benly

JAMIN PARTHUR.

FRANKLIN S. CARTER.

Partrick & Carter,

PRACTICAL TELEGRAPHERS and ELECTRICIANS,

MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN

TELEGRAPH and ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENTS and SUPPLIES,

No. 38 South Fourth Street,

Manufactory, 614, 616 and 618 Fifth Street,

Philadelphia, *May 13 1878*

Q. Edison
My Dear Sir

*Mr. T. J. Murdoch called & see
us today and left the Evening Messenger
from you - we are glad to know we are to
make some of your Telephones and there
is no man in the country I would rather
let have a pair than him, - will you
therefore please send us a set, at once
Alfred take care of them and return
them safe to you and in good order
we only want to take the copy
and get the best thing out - don't
delay it and wait for anything
further as time is flying fast and
the field is moving from
under our feet, if we don't
get into the market very soon*

There will be no use of getting
in at all.

Please send no a
cith at me. ^{And this}

Joe Pritchard
First National Bank

You shall not lose anything
by sending them. And
Please not assume

NEW-YORK STATE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

OFFICE IN W. U. TELEGRAPH COMPANY'S BUILDING,
Corner Broadway and Dey St.

JOHN A. SLEICHER, RESIDENT AGENT, NEW-YORK.

New York, May 13 1878

My dear Sir: The "scheme" is simply this:

I send state associated press reports from my office here. They go by one wire from N.Y. up to Albany & from Albany out to Bufflo. Our transmissian does the work, of course, the operators at the different cities along the line taking my report as it comes along.

as it came along. Now I want to know if this service could be done by a telephone, or if you, with your wonderful facility of invention could devise any way by which I could transmit my report, either orally, or written out, at the various cities along the line, without the intervention of an operator at every

city!

I hope to be able to
see you some time & confer
with you about this matter.

It interests ~~not~~ ^{not} only
me but also all the others
associated. Prosser - New England,
the Western, &c.

The service in my
association is however so simplified
that it is probably the best for
an experimental effort.

There is a machine for
short circuits which prints the news
on a tape. If you could invent some
such arrangement that would do the printing
over the long circuit from New to Boston
you could have achieved the good I have
in view. Or if your telephony could transmit
my news orally to all the bishops, with
reliability and certainty. I should feel satisfied
to investigate further. Sincerely, yours
John A. Harker
P.S.

New York May 11.

T. A. Edison.

Have you liked me a
carbon transmitter with its resistance coil
for a day or so. same as you sent to Mr. Boutly
want to try it on a bad wire. Mr. Boutly reports
wonderful results from it.

Geo. B. Scott

Super.
Ads.

W. T. Rural Academy
Cincinnati, Ohio,
May 28, 1897.

Mr. W. P. Edison

Dear Sir:

Under what
conditions, and for what consid-
eration, would it be possible
for you to loan the use of
one of your carbon telephones,
the necessary and sending instrument.
I would want it for about
a week, or less, for experiment.
I am accustomed to the use
and operation of many electrical
instruments, having had a
great deal of practical work in
our laboratory, and understand
the working of your form of the
telephone. If useful, I
refer to Charles W. T. Humphreys,

W. H. H. Head of the Dept. of
Physics and Chemistry at this
Academy.

My answer. I beg to
say I reply, never any graduation
examination nor first approaching,
and I am desirous before
leaving her to settle definitely
a question concerning the telephone,
which the President of Phelps
telephone cannot settle.
I have the honor to be

Yours devoted servant,
Charles F. Johnson

Dear Sir

As our company is
about reorganizing we are
obliged to recall the 2 Tele-
phones loaned you in order
to make up our stock account

Yours truly

The Telephone Co of NY

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WRITE THE ADDRESS ON THIS SIDE—THE MESSAGE ON THE OTHER

J. A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park
New Jersey

Telephone Co
N.Y.

May 25/78

Friend Edison

In my advertisement this week
the enclosed transmitter would not
transmit. After trying everything, I
unscrewed it & found the glass disc cracked
into 3 pieces - having more exactly like it
I replaced it by a mica glass cover which
however seems to do me good -

The other transmitter is ok & has today
worked from 197 Broadway to my home in
Brooklyn thro all obstructions. - I therefore
think it will be a success. Please
return me the enclosed Trans in good
order quickly as possible so I can demonstrate
the whole thing on Monday -

Yours in haste
for Babcocks
G.B. Scott
me

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

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Messages cannot be guaranteed except only by repeating a message back in the receiving station for comparison, and the Company will not be held responsible for errors in transmission or delivery if interpreted after receipt.

Messages received by the Company will be delivered to the person named thereon, and the Company will not be held responsible for errors in transmission or delivery if interpreted after receipt.

A. B. BREWER, Secy.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Dated New York May 29 1878

Received at Allen - Park

To J. A. Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Have not seen you
as appointed Shall
you be home to-day
S. M. Tumbly

New York May 31, 1878

J. A. Edison,

Your instructions are successful
The Book you will can you furnish me with
I understand cards & pamphlets alone to fit up an
set for merchants' events. I want to show your
new designs for combination box I am thinking
-as- Geo. B. Scott. P.

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R.C. No. 7045

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company

Western Union Building

George Walter
Pres. & Mgr.

New York, May 31 1878

Mrs. A. Edison Esq

Brooklyn.

The W. U. Co. claims

*that we sh^d. pay some part of your
bill of 2457.82 paid by them
May 20. For the purpose of adjusting
it will you give us the following
information*

- 1. How much of Keewi's op for
labor was earned since Feb 15th?*
- 2. What is the value of material
already
on hand paid for by the W. U.
Co. which may be available
to us in the telephone business
but includes any not yet paid
for by them.*

Yours truly
George Walter
G. W.

1895

This memorandum of agreement entered into this first day of June eighteen hundred and seventy eight by and between Thomas A Edison of Menlo Park N.J and James Adams of Menlo Park N.J witnesses. The said Edison has by the within contract of which it is a copy been given a Royalty of Six thousand dollars per year for seventeen years from the date hereof payable semi monthly in pay ment for the said Edison's inventions in telephones as herein set forth and whereas the said Adams has given his him talents and attention in assisting the said Edison in bringing such inventions to practical uses therefor in consideration of such services by the said Adams to the said Edison the said Edison agrees to pay to the said Adams Six thousand dollars in each and every year that the said Edison receives six thousand dollars from the first of June 1878 until the first of June 1895. If by any chance or process of law or otherwise the said Edison is not paid the said six thousand dollars then the said Adams shall receive nothing, or if the sum be advanced

the sum paid the said Adams shall
be reduced in proportion this shall
be binding upon my executors
assigns or legal representatives
In witness whereof I have this day set my
hand and seal

Witness

Wm Edmon

Thomas A Edison

OFFICE OF
JESSE H. BUNNELL,

MANUFACTURER OF
TELEGRAPH AND ELECTRICAL APPARATUS,
AND MATERIALS,
112 Liberty Street,

New York, June 4 1878

J. A. Edison Esq -
Manh. Park
N.Y.

Dear Sir -
Can I buy from
you (if not whom)
a complete set of your
Carbon Telephone? - want it
for a Professor for his
illustrative apparatus -
Please reply stating price to
me and price I should
charge -
Yours

J. H. Bunnell

Now please tell Bach or some one else
to send this now as I will have
to send away for an answer also
knowing also how my customer has -

Phila. June 3, '78

T. A. Edison

Will you be
at your laboratory even-
ing so we can get your
by telephone, some
time from eight to
nine O'clock, to-mor-
row or ~~Thursday~~ evening
Tuesday.

H. B. Seott

*Unmarked too for C.A.C.
that we want name*

New York, June 4

T. A. Edison

When
will we receive the
two induction coils
instruments waiting
for them.

Geo. B. Seott.

This afternoon if possible
Edison



The rules of this Company require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message blanks of the Company, and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

MAIN OFFICE, SOUTH EAST COR. THIRD & CHESTNUT STS.

Dated *Phila 6th Mo 6th 1878*
To *Brother Edison*

Yours of 4th at hand.
Go for the robbers. Phelps
told me yesterday how
strongly heated him some
years since in printing
telegraph matters.

I sent up to the office of
the Journal of the Franklin
Institute and they will
send by Adams Express
tomorrow 20 copies of the
Journal of the date you wish
for - all they have left, of that
number. I had 100 Reprints at the
time but gave them all away. Bear
in mind this article is an original
one prepared specially for the Journal
by my friend S. M. Bush. Y^{rs} *Wm. H. P.*

A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J. *June 10th 1878*

James Patrick
38 South 4th St Phila Pa

Edison

Telephone model ready
Come over in the morning
Edison

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N.J.

June 4 1888

Hon Geo Walker
U.S. 195-Bway NY

We are already ~~except~~ ^{but} the
Japanning Keeps them back
Expect to send them to you
first part of next week
T. A. Edison

Annapolis June 16/78

Francis Springer

Annapolis June 17/78

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 16th inst. in relation to the appointment of a graduate of the Naval Academy to the position of Assistant Surgeon in the United States Army. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to accept of the appointment, but I am glad to hear that you are going to the West. I am sure you will find it a most interesting and profitable experience. I am, Sir, very respectfully,
Yours,
John A. Edison, Esq.

U. S. Naval Academy
Annapolis, Md.
June 16, 1878.

John A. Edison, Esq.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 26th ult. received an earlier answer, but I have been, a part of the time, very busy with my final examinations. I graduate on the 20th, and sometime during the latter part of the month, or in July, it would give me great pleasure to accept of

your very kind ^{affectionate} ^{friend}
 My ^{friend} ^{character} ^{after} ^{graduation} ^{are} ^{consequently}
 indeterminate, but away other
 place, to any degree
 of visiting your laboratory, and
 if it be not too great a
 vexation to you, I should
 like to avail myself of the
 impulse for which I am
 indebted to you.

Very truly yours
 Frank S. Johnson

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

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Griffin

Send this telegram -

E. H. Johnson

208 Broadway

New York

Have boy come over tomorrow
with all printed scraps you
have relating to ~~the exhibition~~
of telephone with date marked

T. A. Edison

SP
Jan 17 1878
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JAMES PARTRICK,

FRANKLIN A. CARTER,

Partrick & Carter,

PRACTICAL TELEGRAPHERS and ELECTRICIANS,

HANDWRITERS OF AND READERS IN

TELEGRAPH and ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENTS and SUPPLIES,

No. 38 South Fourth Street,

Manufactory, 614, 616 and 618 Filbert Street,

Philadelphia, June 20, 1878.

T. A. Edison Esq.,
Menlo Park N. J.
So. L. I.

Yours to hand
We have not as yet received
the flexible tubing although
ordered for some days will for-
ward sample as soon as it
comes to hand, we found that
it does not come ready made
of the suitable size.

Yours truly
Partrick & Carter.

and 2 June 78

Mr. Edison
Dear Sir,

I have a few questions to ask from you, and statements to make, and I hope you will kindly and satisfactorily answer.

Has Dr. Arthur W. Adams called upon you, some time ago? Did you, or did you not grant him the privilege to experiment with your telephones? and to lecture on the subject of your inventions?

Dr. Adams made an unsuccessful attempt, to establish telephonic connection between New Jersey & here, last Monday evening. A concert was to be given here, and to be heard in Jersey City. The experiment succeeded not, the heavy rain, and more yet the induction from telegraph-wires in operation, interfering. This want of success did not throw any reflection upon your most excellent instruments, as it was readily understood, why, and is existing

Circumstances the instruments, by their very nature so sensitive to induction, could not work. The telephone was sent to me, I suppose, by authorized hands, and were well put up by Mr. Monahan and other able gentlemen from the W & A Telegraph Co.

But now the following card appears in yesterday's "Republican":

"The friends of Mr. Edison in this city state that he had no connection with the telephone concern, which resulted in a fizzle, at the Western Union Telegraph office, a few evenings ago, and that the parties interested did not have Mr. Edison's musical telephone with any knowledge or consent of the inventor."

This throws an unpleasant reflection on myself; though suited only in accordance with information and instructions received by Dr. Adams. My impression was, that you did know about it. Certainly the owners of

the "Edison Telephone"; to whom you have sold your patent, would have known; for official notice was received at the W. U. Telegraph office here, that we might use a wire between here and Jersey for this purpose. Dr. Adams can not have acted without full authority for I know him to be an honest man.

Will you please have the kindness to inform me, whether the above word in the "Republican" is just? I would be much obliged to you, if you would relieve my mind on this subject.

Yours Respectfully
F. Muscarens.

Address: Mr. F. Muscarens
#1715 Col. St. N. W.
Washington D. C.

JAMES PARTRICK,

FRANKLIN S. CARTER.

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No. 38 South Fourth Street,

Manufactory, 614, 616 and 618 Filbert Street,

Philadelphia, June 24th 1878.

J. A. Edison Esq.
Morris Park N. J.
N. J. City

Yours to hand the
tubing you refer to as being used in
Shades is the ordinary Section hard
spiral wire inside we can get any quan-
tity of this but it is too large and
not pliable enough. We have written
to the Goodyear Co. the owners of the
N. Y. tubing Co's patent and are awaiting
their reply. In case we cannot pro-
cure the tubing, shall we use the rubber
tubing same as you have on the Telephone,
we have can have it covered with silk or
bristled, the latter more durable less
expensive and look equally as well.
Awaiting your reply. Yrs. Aug. M. Truitt,

Partrick & Carter,

June 20/74
Ref 81-0-6
Engine 774/11/1
Pwr RS

OFFICE OF
JESSE H. BUNNELL,
 MANUFACTURER OF
 TELEGRAPH AND ELECTRICAL APPARATUS,
 AND MATERIALS,
 112 Liberty Street,

New York, June 24/88
 J. A. Edison Esq.
 Menlo Park
 N.J.
 Dear Sir

Yours recd. As far as
 either Goodyears or
 my knowledge Eugene
 Phillips is your man
 for Rubber Tube (soft)
 Covered with silk or Cotton
 Altho "Day" the Kenton man
 does something too in
 "Gas Tight Pliable Tube" as they
 love to call it but hasn't
 gas tight no more nor
 I ever was - Say tell
 me do you arrange

OFFICE OF
JESSE H. BUNNELL,
 MANUFACTURER OF
 TELEGRAPH AND ELECTRICAL APPARATUS,
 AND MATERIALS,
 112 Liberty Street,

New York, July 2/88 187

transfer all use of
 the microphone to
 the W. U. - If not
 I like to make and sell
 on a royalty or something
 or other - Think I might do
 quite a business in them if
 could advertise it -

Yours Truly
 Bunnell

How is that Super Carbon
 Battery? or anything else
 that I can handle -

WILLIAM ORTON, President,
GEORGE WALKER, Vice-President,
CHAS. B. FARMOUTH, Secretary,
JAS. D. REED, Secretary,
GEORGE H. BERRY, Superintendent.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 5645.

New York, June 25th 1878

L. A. Edison Esq,
Mentor Park N.Y.

Dear Sir

Dr Adams brought a letter from you (June 4th) to Vice Pres Walker, stating that the bearer desired to procure a pair of carbon telephones to use in his lectures on Sound. Mr Walker understanding from Dr Adams, that he wanted them for a single lecture in Jersey City approved the application "as soon as practicable."

Nothing was said to him about making a trial between Jersey City and Washington or any other points and his understanding was that it was for a purely local experiment, such as those in Brooklyn for which the Edison Telephone had been used a short time before by Mr Phelps.

Mr Walker says that he would never

Y.A.E. 2.

have allowed the instruments to go out for such a use as they were put to, as the Gold and Stock Telegraph Co had not at that time, made any experiments over long lines themselves, and would not have permitted a stranger of whom they knew nothing, (except that he was introduced, by you) to make them. Mr. Walker never knew of one of the telephones being sent to Washington until he missed it on an office line to which it belonged, and on inquiry ascertained the fact. He denied having given authority for any such use and immediately ordered the telephone sent from Washington through the Western Union Manager there. The Western Union Telegraph Co grants the use of a wire to Washington to Dr. Adams under the idea that Mr. Walker had loaned the telephones for use between that city and Jersey City.

I.A.C. 3

Without any authority from Vice Post Walker
Dr. Adams procured also a Phelps Brown
telephone from the Western Union Shop, which
he has never returned although it has
been repeatedly sent for. The Carbon
Telephones used by Mr. Adams were made
in the Western Union Shop, and have
always done excellent service. They
are now working satisfactorily over
a line from New York to Philadelphia.

Yours truly
C. B. M.
Capt

ATTACHMENT 1

THE PHONOGRAPH QUESTION

Editor of the Eugene Journal:—
 I am sorry to hear from Mr. Thomas A. Edison, published in your issue of June 20th, in which he affirms that the telephone used by me on a circuit between this city and Washington, were not his telephones. I wish to state that the telephone used on that occasion was Mr. Edison's, they being loaned me by the Western Union Telegraph Co., which company is interested in the introduction of said telephones. And, further, they were the best I have ever constructed. No others woulding as the establishment of an understanding as the establishment of a telephone circuit between two cities so far distant from each other as Washington and New York.

[illegible]

ARTHUR W. ADAMS, M. D.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., 187

Mr. W. G.
S. L. Griffin

Shall not return for
two or three days. despatch
me

P. C. Bliss

N.Y. 14 June
T. A. Edison

We are working your transmitters to
our twenty third street of over heavy
induction and operating in a low tone to
the entire satisfaction of Mr. Roscott
and myself. Hurry up the six promised
for Tuesday

G. Walker

T. A. EDISON,

Menlo Park, N. J., July 1878

Mrs. Patrick & Carter
Phila

When may we expect some
telephones

T. A. Edison

Menlo Park, July,
Mr Henry Bently Phila
Please call on Patrick & Carter
ascertain when they will have
some of those telephones finished.
Please answer

T. A. Edison

T. A. EDISON,

Menlo Park, N. J., 187

Dr.
Shil 5 (July)
T. A. Edison

Patrick & Carter expect to have
them ready the latter part of next
week they say.

Henry Bently



Office of City Surveyor,

CITY HALL.

Boston, July 8th 1878

Mr. Edison

Dear Sir,

Would you be
willing to give me the date of
your invention of the Thermo-
Electric Telephone? I have
invented one similar to your
own, and would like to
know if you ante-date me.

Yours Respectfully,
Geo. R. Carey,
City Surveyor's Office

Thomas A. Edison, City Hall,
Mehon Park Boston Mass.

New Jersey

I think you have done well in this
can't tell you as much as the world
of your name in the world of
the world of the world of the world

*Time & place.

In Prescott room, July, July
6th 12³⁰ P.M.

And he of the name
of Edison spoke, and
also wrote with a pen,
saying unto Bachelor
Schumann Charles,
these words, "Send Reuther
* six buttons." Now Reuther
being a patient man
like unto Job, sat him
down and speaking unto
his servant called Plush
Schumann Samuel, said
unto him, surely, now are
shall have a button, yea
mayhap two of them —
but, they came not.

2231 1000E long
from post in Eng 2

Phila July 16
J. A. Edison
Send Drawings
of Connections at once
for Telephone
Patent & Carter

<p>MANUFACTURING OF Patent Finishes Telegraph Wire, Patent Rubber Covered Wire, Patent Lead Insulated Wire, Patent Electric Cables, Telephone Cords, Cables, &c.</p>	<p>OFFICE OF EUGENE F. PHILLIPS, No. 67 STEWART STREET.</p>
<p>Providence, R. I., July 11 1875</p>	
<p>Gentlemen: We are in receipt of your favor of the with order, which shall have our immediate attention. Have been experimenting with Rubber tubing with some success for your Telephone tubes. The rubber tube is ordered to be built & close the passage. We are making a special article for the purpose of building up a wire spiral wire and sample in your days. which is made to suit your time to thoroughly dry. Respectfully yours, W. H. SAWYER, Electrician and Supl. EUGENE F. PHILLIPS.</p>	



Charlestown Branch

of City Surveyor's Office.

Charlestown, Boston July 13, 1878.

Mr. Edison.

Dear Sir,

Accept my
thanks for your letter of the
10th. I invented and made a
drawing of my telephone Jan 11th.
1878. Have not made one, my
time being devoted to my
profession.

Yours Respectfully
Geo. R. Barry
City Surveyor's Office,
City Hall
Boston Mass.

Relation to Telephone

The Gold and Stock Telegraph Co.
WESTERN UNION BUILDING,
197 Broadway.

New York, July 13 1878

Friend Edison,

As you request
I remind you at home
not to forget my bell,
as long as you call -

Yours truly
J. C. Massey

T. A. EDISON,

Menlo Park, N. J.

July 9 1876

My 19
Chas Patchelor

Menlo Park

Have the Patrick & Carter
instruments been delivered
to you? We are in
hurry to get them
George Walker
V. Hunt

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

Transmit. - Guarantees service that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the message sheets and delivered to the telegraph office in the morning before 10 o'clock, which are then sent to the telegraph office for transmission.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't, New York.
A. R. BRINTON, Sec'y.

Dated Thurs July 25 1876

Received at _____

To T. A. Edison

Nothing from you
yet. How is it. Shall we
come over.

Patrick & Carter

Am putting up magnets as they
all wait day or two
Edison

Form 7.]

[Telegraph.]

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD CO.'S TELEGRAPH.

Received, Office, Operator, date Aug 23 1873
From Rawlins Wyo For Charles Bachlor

Send to Jerey Barker St Louis pair
telephones withon ipostat and
pressure relay by express before
teneth aug thosadison 17 d.H.

T. A. EDISON,

701

Menlo Park, N. J.,

July 28 1878

T. A. Edison Hawkins Wg
Just tested telephone with Phila
fondest and best talking we
ever had but of course a
little more induction owing
to size of diaphragm
Griffie

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Aug 7

1878

1878

New York 7

T. A. Edison
or Batchelor

Menlo Park

We want more Carbons soon
as possible

G. M. Phelps

T. A. Edison
Griffie

T. A. EDISON.

A21

2nd floor

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 8 1878

Chicago 8
Care Ritchie's

M. Park

We have 350 Edison-transmitters
+ waiting for the Carbon buttons
which Mr. Walker was going
to get you to send how fast
will they come answers

Em. Barton
accy

I hide
Jy

GOLD & STOCK TELEGRAPH CO.

SUPT'S OFFICE.

August 12th 1878.

To parties using CARBON telephones.

The transmitters used for this arrangement are very delicate, and the least shock or blow will break the carbon buttons in the interior.

Therefore caution everyone who handles them that they must on no account be dropped or struck against any hard substance. When the carbon button is broken they can only be repaired at the shop where they are constructed.

Yours deeply

Geo. B. Scott

Supt.

T. A. EDISON.

3
Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 24 1878

N. Y. Martin Force Menlo Park
Bring both telephones
from Depot line on
Three train will
meet you in Jersey City
Batchelor

14/paid
sqg

T. A. EDISON.

1
Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 27 1878

New York 27
Thos A Edison
Menlo Park
When will you be in town
and call on me
H. McK. Twiss bly

10/27/78
sqg

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 27 1878

H M H Trowley
my
Tomorrow

10th
~~8th~~

T A Edison

11 train
9, 10



SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

Fire Insurance Patrol.

#176 Monroe St.
~~176 Madison Street~~

Chicago, Aug 28. 1878

T. A. Edison
Menlo Park N. J.
Dear Sir,

To day I packed
ready for shipment, and delivered to our
friend Mr. Dies, our "water telephone" known
out here as "Alcatraz," Hoping you received
it standing as it left us in good order,
In giving practical demonstrations as to its
striking powers, with the laughing remarks
to lookers on, - And that you may, (as we
all have) grow fat.
Please notify us as to its success after
experiments made by reports

Yours Very Respectfully
D. D. Sullivan
Supt. Fire Ins. Patrol
#176 Monroe Street Chicago

The Central District and Printing Telegraph Co.

OFFICE, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING,

Corner of Fifth Avenue and Wood Street.

Pittsburgh, Aug 29th 1878

T. A. Edison Esq

My dear Sir -

Can't we have a
Telephone repeater, suited to all
kinds of Telephones - In the nature
of things, the Magneto Telephones will
be used the most, but we need a
repeater at the Central station,
so that when connecting two
lines together, we can increase
the force - now can't we have
it?

We get good results from your
Carbon Telephones, but they are so
easily injured - I've had broken on
us without any apparent cause -

Yours Truly,
J. M. David

WILLIAM ORTON, President.
GEORGE WALKER, Vice-President.
Geo. B. FARMOUTH, Secretary.
Jas. D. IRISH, Secretary.
GEORGE H. SMITH, Superintendent.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY, P

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 5645.

New York, Aug 29th 1878

J. A. Edison Esq

Meigs Park

Dear Sir

We recd from you several
Telephone & "accessories" notes below - Will
You please have bill sent us at once as we
cant call our books for want of it -
and much obly

Yours truly
Geo B Walker
Mps

(Rec direct)

2 Ironstone Coils with Switch & Key \$8. each

6 do do do do do \$4 each

8 Carbon Transmitters \$6. each

Aug 20 P.O.C. 2-50

2 20 Ohm Sounders 55⁰ Each

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Aug 20 1878

W. B. A. Davis Esq
Pittsburgh

My dear Sir,

Yours of the 29th just recd. I cannot understand how it is that the telephones get injured we have no such trouble here nor in New York that I have heard of. We send them to Europe where they give perfect satisfaction.

In regard to the telephone repeater I think that will be on hand before long.

Very Truly
T. Edison

Of course we don't let our men or anybody else stand up and play baseball with the team. I simply stated a fact that two of

the carbons had given out in some
unaccountable manner. They have since
been repaired and are working well —
If my note gave any other impression
than that we were getting satisfactory
results for time in use, why I
didn't put it in proper shape & it
is the way I meant — They
are very satisfactory — we use cellulose
acetate —

I hope we shall get that reported
soon —

Yours Truly,
G. W. Baird

C. W. Baird

1878-9 telephone

T. A. EDISON.

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5 PM

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 31 1878

NY 31
T A Edison
m Park

We want more Carbons
Send soon as possible
G M Phelps

JSH.
in 9

Aug 31 1878

T. A. EDISON.

No 1

Menlo Park, N. J., 187

G. B. Sest. Apt 4-8 C
New York

Sent Phelps one hundred
Carbons today and two hundred
to Western Electric Mfg Co
H. D. H. Edison

No 2.
Western Electric Mfg Co
Chicago

Sent two hundred tonight
send two hundred more
Saturday

9.54
Edison

T. A. EDISON.

702

Menlo Park, N. J., Apr 5 1877

N.Y. 5

T. A. Edison

Shall take Eleven o'clock train today as
appointed and expect to meet you

Yours Truly

W. H. S.

The Domestic Telegraph Company.

GENERAL OFFICES, 145 BROADWAY.

THOS. T. ECKERT, Pres't.

WM. HADEN, Sec'y.

From York, *Sept. 9th* 1878

J. A. Edwards Esq.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Bates and I have a wire
between our houses in Brooklyn
and New York upon which we
frequently have telephone talks.
We are both anxious to try your
carbon telephones, and I wrote
this to remind you of a premium
you made me at Mt. St. Vincent
a while ago to "smuggle" a
couple for our use. It would
be an especial accommodation
if you could manage to do
the smuggling about this time.
Domestic affairs are getting
along nicely, every month
showing a good deal over and
above running expenses -
May all of your children

do do well.

11 WIGMORE ST. LONDON W.1

Yours very truly

John Hadden

My dear Sir,
I have the pleasure to inform you that
the order for the purchase of the
land at the corner of the street
has been approved by the
local authorities and the
necessary arrangements are being
made for the purchase of the
land at the corner of the street
and the necessary arrangements are being
made for the purchase of the
land at the corner of the street

I am, Sir, very truly,
Your obedient servant,
John Hadden

T. A. EDISON.

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1145

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 10 1878

N.Y. 10

T. A. Edison

When are you coming in? Phoned
like to see you Resistance coils
and reversing sounders ready at
shop since Friday A.M. C.K. Tombs

20 D.H.
mg

T. A. EDISON.

2

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 11 1878

Em Boston Terry
220 King St
Chicago

Please send me two Carbon
Telephones - Complete Edison

T.A.

7/20
9/24

George B. Prescott
Electrician

Electricians Office
Western Union Telegraph Company
New York, Sep 11 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir,

Mr. Ladd asks "what is the legal status of the Hughes Microphone in relation to Edison's patents? If it can be used without infringement it will be a formidable adjunct for the Bell Co. Please inform me fully as I understand there are a number of them en route from London for San Francisco & I want to know what to do a say about them". Have you fully covered these by your patents and if so can you give the number of the patents

Yours truly
Geo B Prescott

T. A. EDISON.

2

7¹² pm.

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 12 1878

Chicago, Ill 12

T. A. Edison

Please send some
Carbons tomorrow last lot over
half broken on arrival

E. M. Barton
Secy

13 paid
J. G.

ARTHUR STANLEY, Pres.
CHAS. M. BARTON, Secy

GEORGE H. BLISS, Genl Mgr
LESLIE GIBBS, Electrical

Western Electric Manufacturing Co.

24 N. 2nd Spring St. Chicago.

SEPT. 12, 1878.

THOS. A. EDISON ESQ.

MENLO PARK

N. J.

DEAR SIR:---

WE HAVE TELEGRAPHED REQUESTING
YOU TO SEND SOME CARBONS TO-MORROW.

THE CARBONS FIRST RECEIVED GENERALLY CAME
OUT IN GOOD SHAPE; WE LOST BUT FEW. A LARGER
PROPORTION ARE NOW BROKEN ON ARRIVAL.

WE THINK BETTER RESULTS COULD BE SECURED
BY HAVING THE BOTTOM OF THE BOX CUSHIONED
A LITTLE.

WE SEND TO-DAY BY EXPRESS TWO OF THE SOUNDER
CARBON TELEPHONE SETS, SUCH AS WE ARE MAKING
FOR THE GOLD & STOCK. PLEASE ADVISE US
WHETHER WE CAN REPORT TO THEM THAT THIS HAS
BEEN DELIVERED TO YOU, AND LET YOU SETTLE
WITH THE GOLD & STOCK, OR WHETHER YOU WOULD
PREFER TO HAVE US CHARGE THESE UP TO YOU
IN OUR ACCOUNT. THE LATTER METHOD WOULD
SUIT US.

YOURS TRULY,

E. M. BARTON, SEC'Y

OK no
reply to
this

T. A. EDISON.

1

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 12 1877

Chicago Ill 12

T. A. Edison m Park
We send two telephones with
sounders and induction coils
to day by Express

E m Boston
very

12 1877

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Sept 12 1878

Mr Dolan
Can I have Nos 7 & 8
from New Brunswick East
Edison

New York Sept 13. 1878

Or - There are two things
I want you to do - so hold up
your hand and swear you'll do
it - First is I want a
likeness of you, with your signature
to place in my office - If you
have any ink, or know of any,
please get one at my expense
and put your "ing" to it -
The second is, to have your
little Benjamin send me out
of the complete sets he is reading
It was at his shop this morning
and like what he is doing
so well, that I would be
obliged to you if you would
have him forward these early.
Yours truly
J. M. Holt

3 Ruatan Bay Islands
Sept 13 1878

Dear Sir

I read some days ago your card regarding the controversy between yourself and Prof Hughes. This being the first and only information I have of your invention of the Lipphone or Phonophone. I would feel much obliged to you if you would give me further information and also the cost of an instrument. I wish to purchase one for my own use. I am not scientific but have a great inclination for all novelties and improvements.

Yours Truly

Geo. A. Brown

Prof Thomas A Edison
Wentz Park N.J.

Direct card to Oliver H. Brown
New Orleans
La.

Ruatan Bay Islands
(where that?)
Sept 13 1898

Jes H Brown
% S O'Brien
N Orleans
La

Cust no = 78
Telephones \$50 each

T. A. EDISON.

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7³⁰ pm

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 14 1878

New York 14

T. A. Edison M. Park

Send diagram for connections. Telephone
all completed all but that.

J. Bergmann

10 pairs
T. A. C.

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 14 1878

N. Y.

Mr Edison wrote Sept
2nd on Sept 5th that Carbon
buttons would be sent to Chicago
on the 7 were they sent
Geo. Walter

Ans were quick

Geo. Walter
one fully shipped Sept 14
sent the one thirty eight
sent on Sept 13th.

J. A. Edison

Department of Agriculture,

Washington, D. C. Sept. 17th, 1880.

T. A. Edison Esq.
Camden, N. J.

36 182

Dear Sir:

I have been experimenting upon the magneto-electric Telephone with the hope of increasing its powers, and desiring to avail myself of the knowledge of those who have gone over the whole ground, upon one or two points. The helices which I have used have been of No. 33 wire (American gauge) but I have understood that equally good results are obtained with No. 34. The difference is small, and consequently in resistance is not very great between these two numbers so as to open a field for experiment too great for my limited time.

Will you do me the favor to state whether a given amount of resistance ^{inductance} has been found to give best results, or whether it is simply necessary to get a sufficient

number of coils around the magnet (within suitable limits as to space) in order to produce the strongest current by the transmitting instrument, and the greatest changes in the condition of the magnet in the Receiver.

Knowing that you have gone farther & deeper into this subject than any other man I have thought that without too great a loss upon your time I might send information which may be of great assistance in my experiments which are those of an amateur.

Hoping for an early answer which will be very highly appreciated.

Yours truly
I am
Respectfully
Yours
J. S. Walker

J. S. Walker

Batch
plans
9

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 18, 1878

Ny 18
Edison me

Can you come in tomorrow
bring carbons. Telephone ready
inspection

Johnson

10 pairs
V. G.

George B. Prescott
Electrician

Electrician's Office
Western Union Telegraph Company
New York, Sept 18 1878

My dear Edison

Yours of the 14th received. I will hold my
look back until your new matter comes to hand.

Our cables are seriously troubled by induction
between the wires, and what is said on one
of your telephones on one wire, can be heard
on all the others. Can you suggest any
remedy. The matter is very serious especially
for wires between here and Brooklyn.

Yours truly
Geo. B. Prescott

It may be possible to compensate in the cell house
by magnets or Carduani's, Foucault cables
with foil on the outside of each conductor
might do the business. I remember Ludwig
telling me about 9 years ago in old
A.P. office. will talk to the Miller over
when I see you was in today 3 times
but you were out — E

John H. Porter
Esq. of New York
Geo. W. L. Stone
Esq. of New York
George T. Kunkin.

PO Box 1836

Porter, Lowrey, Loran & Stone;

Attorneys & Counsellors at Law;

No. 3 Broad Street, (DREXEL BUILDING)

New York, N.Y. 199 187

Dear Sir. Your note by S. is just rec'd.
And tracings of in Cases. 130. 135. 136. 141.
142. 144. 146. 147. 150. 151. 152.

Should be glad to do whatever I can
to save you in which of them do you wish
to have.

Yours.

J. H. S.

May 19. 78
G. W. Soren
Ans. Sept 20 78

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Sept 21 1878

Ny 21

9 A. Edison

ms

Please send some Carbon
clm. Please

J. H.

P.O. Box 5045.

George Walker,
Vice President.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,
Western Union Buildings,

New York, Sept 21st 1878.

Edison Exp.
Menlo Park.
New Jersey.

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 18th is received and I have instructed Mr Phelps and Mr Barton to have the words "Edison Carbon Telephone" conspicuously placed on every one of your instruments hereafter made. I do not know how the oversight occurred, for it was distinctly agreed in the contract between you and the W.U. Co. that this should be done, and we are as anxious as you can be that the instruments should bear your name. The success of them is every where extremely gratifying.

Our Executive Committee declines to give Mr Johnson the free use of your

instruments for exhibition, but I will bring before them the fact that you recommended it and perhaps they may change their views..

We are making exhibitions of it with great success at the American Institute, and we are also exhibiting it at Mechanics' Fairs in Boston and Baltimore.

It is a long time since I saw you, - come and see me when you are in town.

Yours very truly,

Georg Meier
Vice Rect.

P.O. Box 5047.

George Walker,
Western Union Bldg.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,

Western Union Buildings,

New York, Sept. 24th 1878.

Thos. A. Edison Esq.

Menlo Park

New Jersey

Dear Sir,

By request of Messrs. Porter, Loring, Jordan & Stone
I send you here with drawings in cases Nos 130-
135-136-141-143-144-146-147-150-151-152-
which was used in the draft of your contract with
the Western Union Co. I regret that there has
been any delay in sending these to you but
the question was referred to me by Mr. Form and
by me to Dr. Green, and the Dr. has been so
much engaged for the last few days that he
had not been able to give attention to it
until I called his attention to it this
morning.

Yours very truly,

sent by mail to Dr. Green
George Walker
New York.

AMERICAN TELEPHONE & TELEGRAPH CO.
NEW YORK, N. Y.

RECEIVED BY THE
EDISON TELEPHONE CO.

*Office of
Western Electric Manufacturing Co.*

24 & 212 Wingo Street, Chicago.

SEPT. 25, 1878

T. A. EDISON ESQ.

MENLO PARK

N. J.

DEAR SIR:---

THE TWO CARBON TELEPHONES SENT
YOU HAVE BEEN CHARGED TO THE GOLD & STOCK
TEL. CO., BUT IF YOU WANT THE CHARGE TRANSFERRED
TO YOUR ACCOUNT IT IS NOT TOO LATE TO DO SO.
IF YOU WISH TRANSFER MADE PLEASE ADVISE.
THE AMOUNT IS \$27.00.

YOURS TRULY,

C. N. BARTON, SEC'Y

*Charge to Gold
to settle they are
for test purposes*

Geo. S. Ladd, President.
Jas. Gamble, Vice President.

M. Greenwood, Treasurer.
Jno. I. Salin, Superintendent.

Gold and Stock Telegraph Co.

Of California.

OFFICE, No. 222 SANSOME STREET.

San Francisco, 28 Sept., 1878

T. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park, N. J.

My dear Sir:

Yours 11th just received. Of the 100 carbon buttons received, about 40 per cent are available for use, one half of those being slightly damaged. We have found no difficulty in making them here, but latterly we have pressed the powdered carbon into its proper receptacle in the transmitter instead of forming the button in a mould. This is more convenient and works well.

Mr. Walker writes me that Messrs Phelps and Bentley find buttons carved out of gas coke work well as the composition and are indestructible. Now is that?

Yours truly

Geo. S. Ladd,

President.

By Oliver

Memorandum

Pittsburgh, Oct 2, 1878.

OFFICE OF THE
CENTRAL DISTRICT OF PAINTING
TELEGRAPH CO.

J. D. Edison Esq

I wish you would send us
about a dozen Carbons, ^{belonging} for Telephone -
we have some troubles, and want to
repair them here -

Yours

J. D. Daniel

T. A. EDISON.

3
Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 3 1878

EM Barton
220 Kinzie St Chicago
Send ^{to Menlo Park} ~~me~~ immediately twenty
~~Telephones~~ same as last except make
Sounders one hundred ohms and put
on a top insulated point for closing
a bell when circuit opens, answer
will be
when shipped, to ~~first English~~
~~order.~~

Edison

34 AH

YHO
994

T. A. EDISON.

3
Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 5 1878

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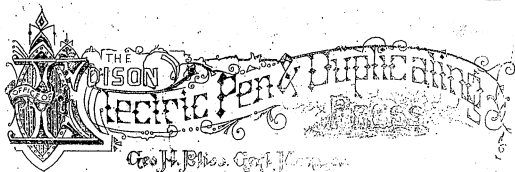
Chicago
Taldieon m.f.

Expect to send the twenty carbon telephones
sets as directed in about ten days

EM Barton

~~1878~~

scg



142 Madison St.

OCT. 5TH,

T. A. EDISON ESQ.
MENLO PARK, N.J.
DEAR SIR:

MY LECTURE CAME OFF AT THE LITTLE TOWN
OF BLACKBERRY IN THIS STATE ON THURSDAY EVE.
HAD A CROWD-
ED HOUSE AND GREAT ENTHUSIASM.
COULDN'T DRIVE THE PEOPLE
OUT TILL 11 P.M.

I BUILT A SHORT LINE IN THE TOWN AND
BY USING AN EDISON TRANSMITTER WITH SEVERAL RECEIVERS
IN THE AUDIENCE ROOM EVERY ONE COULD HEAR THE CONVER-
SATION, SINGING AND INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC FROM THE OTHER
END OF THE LINE.

THOSE FARMERS THINK EDISON IS A DEUCE
OF A FELLOW.

LOTS OF CHANCES TO EXPEND MORE WIND NOW.
RESPECTFULLY,

Geo. H. Aliso

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 10 1878

My¹⁰ Albin

Please send some carbon
atoms I Bergmann to

Y¹⁰
Dr 9

WILLIAM GUNTER, President.
GEOFFREY WALKER, Vice-President.
Geo. B. FARMOUTH, Treasurer.
Jas. D. REID, Secretary.
GEORGE B. BERRY, Superintendent.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 5645.

New York, Oct 10th 1878

Mr A Edison Esq
Menlo Park N.J.
Dear Sir

Please give me
the particulars regarding enclosed bill
of \$1100⁰⁰ for Carbon Press & mould.
We do not know where it is or for
whom it was made.

Yours respectfully
Geo B Fcott
Supt

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OCTOBER 15, 1878

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N. J.

DEAR SIR:---

THE CARBONS THAT WE ARE GETTING
NOW ARE NOT SO GOOD AS THOSE WE WERE GETTING
FORMERLY. THEY ARE MORE FLAKY.

WHILE THEY COME THROUGH WITHOUT BEING
BROKEN, SHOWING APPARENTLY THAT THEY STAND
THE JOURNEY BETTER, WHEN WE COME TO USE THEM
A LARGE PROPORTION OF THEM ARE CRACKED AND
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YOURS TRULY,

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Of California.

OFFICE, NO. 222 SANSOME STREET.

San Francisco, 19 October 1878.

P. A. Edison, Esq.,

Menlo Park,

N. J.

Dear Sir:

Yours 10. inst. to hand. We have not yet arranged to manufacture carbon telephones but expect to do so soon.

What will you charge us for the lamp black in quantities sufficient, say, for 500 buttons? Is it simply the lamp black gathered from a coal oil lamp, or is it otherwise specially treated; if so, how?

We have made up about two dozen with entire success. We do not mould carbon buttons, but pack the carbon into the receptacle, smoothing off and polishing the upper surface. No working effect is apparently the same and the carbon is not so easily broken as in the case of moulded buttons.

Yours truly,

Geo. S. Ladd
President, &c.

Cost of Carbon
invented by Edison
for 100 telephones at 10¢ each
the lamp black is used for making the carbon
for 100 telephones at 10¢ each
made at 10¢ each

P.O. No. 5645.

George Walker,
Vice President.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company;

Western Union Building;

New York, Oct. 21, 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq.
Mendota Park, N.J.

Dear Sir,

There has been constant complaint with regard to the fragility of the carbon buttons; a new instance coming to my knowledge this morning leads me to address you specially on the subject - Last week we sent twelve carbon buttons to Mr Merrick at Philadelphia; they were packed with great care but when they reached him they were reduced to a state of powder. We have had similar experiences from other quarters. Is there not some method by which these buttons can be made more tenacious? if not, can not you suggest any mode of packing which would be liable to the least objection? It seems to

me that a pill box, capable of holding six buttons, might be made just large enough to receive them, separating them perhaps with paste board buttons and putting cotton at the top and bottom to receive a slight pressure.

As we are likely to have a great many of these to send, and as the inconvenience resulting from their breakage is greater than the cost of replacing them, some method should be devised at once to avoid the difficulty. Please suggest one.

Yours very truly,
George W. Mason
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P. O. Box 5645.

New York, Oct 21 1878

Mr. Edison Esq
Menlo Park N.J.
Dear Sir,

The twelve carbon buttons
which we ordered shipped to Capt. Morrishew
were all broken when received by him.
As you have shipped them heretofore to
Chicago & San Francisco without breakage
there must have been something wrong about
the packing of this lot. Please send him
another dozen in place of them, securely
packed for transportation

Yours respectfully
Geo. B. Berry
Supt.

Geo. S. Ladd, President.
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M. Greenwood, Treasurer.
Jno. I. Eskin, Superintendent.

Gold and Stock Telegraph Co.

Of California.

OFFICE, NO. 222 SANSOME STREET.

San Francisco, 23 October, 1878.

T. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park
New Jersey.

Dear Sir:

We send you herewith circulars as
requested in your favor of 8th inst.

Yours truly, Geo. S. Ladd.

President

by Oliver

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Please furnish and lease to the undersigned a telegraph line from _____ to _____ Said line to be used in connection with the central office telephonic system of your Company.

The undersigned hereby agree to pay _____ Dollars, U. S. Gold Coin, per annum, in advance, for the rental of said telegraph line for a term of one year from the date hereof, and thereafter at the same rate, until this agreement is canceled by notice from one of the parties to the other.

The undersigned also agree to pay to said Telegraph Company five cents for each time orders said line connected to any other line in the said telephonic system, but there shall be no charge to the other subscriber, nor for subsequently disconnecting the lines. Bills for said service to be payable monthly.

The said Company shall keep said line in good working order at its own expense, and for that purpose its employees shall have free access to the instruments during business hours in order to test the line.

The Company will provide special signaling machinery for the subscribers to call its operators, and will keep operators constantly on duty to attend to customers' orders for switching lines.

In case of failure to comply with the conditions of this Lease, it may be terminated at the option of either of the parties hereto, upon giving notice to the other, in writing.

Accepted _____ 187 .

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY OF CALIFORNIA,

By _____

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J.,

Oct 26 1878

E. M. Barton
Secy Chicago

We will wait for
telephones with lettering
as specified
T. A. Edison

TDH

9:30 am
9 AM

HENRY BENTLEY
President.
WM. P. WHEATLAND
Secy and Treas.
SAMUEL M. PLUSH
Superintendent.
HARRISON STILES
Manager.

Philadelphia Local Telegraph Company.

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Philadelphia, Nov. 2nd 1878.

Prof. Thos. A. Edison.
Mendota Park.
New Jersey.

Dear Sir.

Will you please send to me per return express C.O.D. about three or four carbon buttons, similar to those in your transmitter, they must be securely packed, or will not come to me in good order.

Very respectfully,
Geo. B. Drucker.
Cashier.
107 S. 3rd St.
Philada

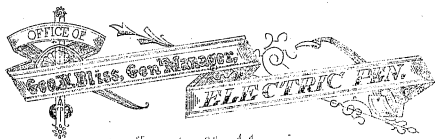
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20 Tremont Temple
Boston Mass
Nov 2 '78
Mr J A Edison -
Dear Sir

Your favor of the 31st ult is recd
and acknowledged.
Mr J. W. Luskbury 109 State St
has examined my water battery
says there is current enough
to run your telephone.
I will test it on Monday report
and send you the result.

Respectfully yours
Ephraim Cutter

P.S. In cells - copper & zinc.
Runs while wet with water - on
one occasion 52 hours till
the water was evaporated.
Electrolyzes water - starch & KI -
leafy stalk &c.



142 La Salle St. Chicago, Nov. 4. 1878.

A. A. Edison Esq.,

Marble Park, N. J.

Dear Sir:

Ray has been in the Patent office for over two months in this country and England with an application for a receiver patent on his musical telephone experiment where the current is passed through the plate to a revolving metal disc. I think you had better bring out your telephone receiver without delay and get the full credit of the first practical receiver without the use of a magnet.

Respectfully,

Geo. W. Blair

Noted 11/14/78
Pat. app. filed
in N.Y. 11/15/78
and a dispositive with paper
for same filed
11/15/78

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company

Western Union Building

New York, Nov 6th 1878

500 Broadway, New York

George H. Walker,
Electrician

Kindly inform me of the fact?

Your very truly,

Wm. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park, N.J.

Dear Sir,

Mr Ladd writes from San Francisco that, owing to the fragility of the carbon buttons, he has been trying the experiment of packing lamp black into the receptacle, and that he gets good results from it. Mr. Walter thinks you have already tried it, and he says that the objection would be that whereas the button is not attached at its circumference to the receptacle greater freedom of movement and impression is secured than would be by making it a solid mass within the receptacle. If you have tried this and found it unsatisfactory, will you

WILLIAM DAVIS, President.
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GEORGE H. SCOTT, Superintendent.

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GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 5645.

New York... Nov 7 1878

J. A. Edison Esq.
Pauls Park N.J.
Dear Sir,

We have a good many
carbon buttons broken in transportation.
Can you not design a box or package
that will hold them safely? I think if
they were sent in a flat box of wood
by express with cotton batting above and
below they would not break. They should
not be sent by mail as the Post office
men open them.

Yours respectfully
Geo. B. Scott
Supt

who has been
the best
the best
the best

WILLIAM COTYER, President.
GEORGE WALSH, Vice-President.
JAN. H. FERGUSON, Secretary.
GEORGE H. SCOTT, Superintendent.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY, P

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 5645.

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New York, Nov 12 1878

J. A. Edison Esq
Munlo Park N.J.
Dear Sir,

Referring to your letter of Nov 8th regarding the breaking of carbon buttons, I can recall no special case excepting that of the shipment of twelve to Supt Merrick on our order Oct 15th of which we notified you at the time.

Yours respectfully
Geo H Scott
Supt

S. BERGMANN & CO.,

No. 104 WOOSTER STREET,

MANUFACTURERS OF

Hotel and House Annunciators and Electrical Apparatus of all kinds,

NEW AND IMPROVED PRUD'HOMME BATTERIES A SPECIALTY.

SEND FOR CATALOG

New York Nov 18th 1878

My Dear Rachel

I have received a contract from the W. M. Co.
for some telephones, they give me very
short time on them especially the 1st
installment of 25. Will you therefore
send me promptly

150 Carbon Buttons



Oblige
S. Bergmann & Co.
yds

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company

R.R. Davis, 506 & 7

William C. Adams, President.
George W. Miller, Vice Pres.
Geo. W. Brewster, Secretary.
James B. Smith, Secretary.

Western Union Building

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New York, Nov 18th 1878

Prof. Thos. A. Edison
Menlo Park N. J.

Sir
Your letter of this date, with
^{stated} amt. of \$1000 asking remittance, is
rec^d & has been handed over to my
Supt. Scott.

Hereafter, when you send
Carbon buttons to the Western Electric Co
at Chicago & Supt. Phelps here, please
require them to send you receipts & when
you render your bills, let those receipts
be annexed thereto. We must have
the evidence in settling our accts with them
and therefore require it of you

Very respectfully

G. E. Keenick

Supt. of op.

1 Nov 18-78

Patrick & Carter
Phila. Pa

Check for three hundred
by mail this morning
T A Edison

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920 PM
9 MA

Philadelphia Local Telegraph Company,

HENRY DEXTER, President.

W. P. WHEATLAND, Sec'y & Treas.

SAMUEL M. FLESH, Sup't.

HARRISON STEIN, Manager.

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Philadelphia, Nov. 20th, 1878.

Prof. Thos. A. Edison.

Menlo Park, N.J.

My Dear Sir.

Your box of Carbon Buttons duly received, although but two in good order, the box had undergone bad handling. I have waited till the present time for your bill, but have received none. I infer from your silence, that I will not be charged with them except my many thanks for kindness conferred, and hope may be able to recompense at some future time.

Very respectfully

Geo. B. Wisner

Cashier

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,
P.O. Box 5645,
Western Union Building,
George Wilkes,
Pres. Present at

New York, Nov. 21st 1878

to
Edison Corp.
Menlo Park, N.J.
Dear Sir,

I note that Messrs Pohlman & Nash, of
Paterson, N. want telephones for exhibition purposes,
and have ~~and~~ to say that we rent instru-
ments for such uses at the following rates,
for six months' time.

Edison transmitter & Melp. duplex receiver,
without battery, \$50.

Edison transmitter & Crown receiver,
without battery, \$55.

Respectfully Yours,
George Wilkes
Vice Pres.

This also answers your question of the 20th
inst. We charge this price because the
instruments are a source of profit and they

are apt to receive rough usage.

W Nov 21-78
to Under
Exhibition
of the
Japan

Survey Green, President,
George Warren, Vice-President,
Geo. B. Prescott, Secretary,
Jas. H. Reed, Treasurer,
George B. Scott, Superintendent.

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GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY, P
SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 4195.

New York, Nov 22 1878

Mr Edison Esq
Menlo Park N.J.
Dear Sir,

St Bergmann & Co
are making 100 of your carbon
transmitters for you. Will your
pleas call them the necessary buttons
to make up this order. We will
pay you for them.

Yours respectfully
Geo B Scott
Supt

Western Union Telegraph Company,

SUPPLY DEPARTMENT,

A. H. WATSON,
Stockkeeper.

9 Day Street,

New York, Nov. 23 1878.

Mr. Sam. A. Edison

West Paul St. L.

My Dear Sir!

Please send me the
100 telephones (from Mr. Muncy) mentioned
in my letter of Jan 10 your reply of
Jan 20th want to clean matter up

Respectfully
A. H. Watson

I want to see that electric light when
you get it in shape again.

Thos. M. Edison & Co. New York Nov. 20. 1878

My Dear Sir,

If I understood you correctly on Friday last, you said your New Receiver would be ten times as loud as any one now in use; that it could be made as cheaply as any other, (say for one dollar each); and that it would not infringe upon any other invention in existence for that purpose.

Also, that the Gold & Steel Tel. Co. could have it for a yearly Royalty of one dollar on each one they use, with the option to use it or not as they please, and with the right at any time to fix a maximum Royalty at \$5,000. per annum instead of the one dollar per instrument.

If the above is correct, please write me to that effect tomorrow, and I will bring it before the Executive Committee at our next meeting which takes place on ~~Tuesday~~ ^{Thursday} ~~this week~~, instead of ~~Monday~~ ^{Thursday} -

Very truly yours,
Thos. M. Edison

S. BERGMANN & CO.,

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SEND THIS CIRCULAR

Nov 26 1878
Thos. A. Edison & Co.

Dr. fr.
In re. to Carbon Buttons - the
Enclosed letter explains - you see
the way. expect me to pay you
for them.
I want also 50 more for telephones
I am going to make at the same
time at your South American
Custom.

This then makes 150 Carbon I want
immediately for which I must pay
you. What is your price to me

Will send you proper receipts
for all you send immediately on receipt

Yours Truly

S. Bergmann

W. Johnson

NY Nov 26, 98

J. B. Pennington & Co
Carbon Buttons

Repeid Nov 28
10 cts each

NORMAN GREEN, President,
GEORGE WALKER, Treasurer,
JAS. H. PRINCE, Secretary,
GEORGE H. BENT, Superintendent.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY,

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 4105.

New York, Nov 29 1875

Mr. Edison & Co.
Mento Park N.Y.
Dear Sir:

Yours, Mr. Bergmann
& Co. have an order for five hundred
and fifty Edison telephones for us.
Please supply them with the
necessary number of carbon buttons
to be used in them at their expense.

Yours respectfully
Geo. B. Jewell
Supt.

SAVORY GREEN, *President*,
GEORGE WALSH, *Vice-President*,
CHAS. B. PRESBOTT, *Vice-President*,
JAS. B. BROWN, *Secretary*,
GEORGE B. SMITH, *Superintendent*.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY, *P*

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 4195.

New York, Dec 5, 1878

Mr. Edison Esq.
Mentlo Park N.Y.

Dear Sir,

This Company has no
objection to your furnishing one or
two carbon buttons to Charles Smith
of Bridgeton N.J. for experimental
purposes at his expense

Yours respectfully
Geo B. Scott

Supt. RWP

Oscar Smith,
President.

OFFICE OF THE

Fred. F. Smith,
Sec. and Treas.

FERRACUTE MACHINE COMPANY.

Foot and Power Presses, Dies, and all other Fruit Can Tools;

SPECIAL HARDWARE AND CENTRE DRILLING MACHINES.

Answering yours

of _____ Bridgeton, N. Jersey, Dec. 6, 1878.

Mr. T. A. Edison,
Menlo Park, N. J.

Dear Sir:—

Yours of Nov. 29 is rec'd. to Mr. O. Smith. We wrote to Mr. Scott and have rec'd a permit from him which we enclose.

Please mail us a carbon but ton (mercurialized as you use them in the telephone) or, if not expensive, two of them. They are to be used only in amateur laboratory experiments. Mail bill and we will remit.

With thanks for your kind attention we are Yours truly,

Ferracuta Machine Co.,
Per O. Smith, Pres.



Send along for Circular and Price List, "BURR GRINDING" or satisfactory business references.

STRAUB'S

Scientific Grain Mill,

VERTICAL FRENCH BURR MILLS.

12, 20 and 30 HORN COWS, FOR GRINDING

Grain, Middlings, Minerals & Paint,

A. W. STRAUB & CO.,

2227, 2229 and 2231 Wood St., Philada., Pa.

Smelling 22 south 57th & 4

Philadelphia, Dec. 6th 1878

J. Edison Esq.

Minions Park, N.Y.

Dear Sir

I have been experimenting with "Telephone Transmitters" using a button covered with carbon. I bored a small hole $\frac{1}{32}$ of an inch in the carbon button $\frac{1}{4}$ inch deep and put a small thin piece of cloth in it, which projects and presses against the Diaphragm lightly and sustains the diaphragm constantly or nearly so at the right distance from the carbon contact so as to make the two remain in more constant adjustment which is absolutely necessary to make it practical.

My Friends are at me to write to you

we don't have any difficulty - we have delivered of the transmitters

ask you to try it and if you think
it worth a patent to join you in
it.

Please try it and let me hear from
you before I approach some other party.
Yours very respectfully,
Alb. Straub.

Duplicate.

Alb. Straub
June 19, 1878
as letter from

P.O. No. 7625

George W. Wallis,
Vice-President.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company

Western Union Building

New York, Dec 8th 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park, N. J.

Dear Sir,

Referring to my letter to you, on the
21st ult, giving prices of telephones for
lecturing purposes, I have to say that the
quote mentioned is for two sets of instruments,
i.e. a transmitter & two receivers, but \$5.

I enclose letter received from J. D. Johnston,
and would ask you to inform him
that we will rent, for six months, one
Carbon Transmitter & six Ghepp receivers at
fifty dollars - payable in advance. (this
is \$25. for 1 transmitter and 6 receivers, and \$5. each
for five extra receivers.)

Yours very truly,

George W. Wallis
Vice Pres.

Holtsboro W. Nov. 29th 1878
 Hon. Geo. Wallis
 V. P. Gold and Stock Co.
 New York

Dear Sir,
 I have just learned from
 Mr. J. H. Edgum your letter for
 telephones. Hope you will abate your
 terms in my case. I do not
 merely exhibit but lecture on the
 whole field of the telephone and
 kindred recent inventions. I am
 under engagement with Laytons
 Lyceum Bureau of Chicago to go
 to a large number of cities and towns
 in the West for that purpose.

I can get Bell's telephone for very
 much less. In fact, they make a
 reduction for exhibition purposes.
 For \$36.00 I can get six instruments.
 I would like a number so that the
 audience would not be disturbed.
 What could you charge me for carbon
 transmitter and full sized as a Bell's
 received?

Yours Respectfully,
 J. C. Forman

NY 9th Dec. '78
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Physical Laboratory,
St. Francis Xavier College,
49 W. 15th St.,
New York, Dec. 9, 1878.

Mr. Thomas A. Edison,

Dear Sir:

I
have tried everywhere in vain to get
a couple of your carbon-buttons
suitable for telephones; ~~xxx~~ even I
have been unable to purchase a
carbon telephone. Being very desirous to
show your telephone to my class & in
my public lectures I have, at the
suggestion of my friend Mr. Robert
Giles - who is well known to you -
determined to apply directly to you
for information.

I beg of you then to let me know
by the enclosed card where I can get
said buttons. If at New York please
let me know on what day I can
come or send for them.

By complying with the above

request you will confer a great
favor on

Yours very sincerely,

Samuel H. Bushe, Jr.,
Prof. Physics
St. Francis Xavier
119 W 15th St.

Charles Smith,
President.

OFFICE OF THE

Wm. F. Smith,
Sec. and Treas.

FERRACUTE MACHINE COMPANY.

Foot and Power Presses, Dies, and all other Fruit Can Tools;

SPECIAL HARDWARE AND CENTRE DRILLING MACHINES.

Answering yours

of Dec 7

Bridgeport, N. Jersey, Dec 13, 1878.

Mr. D. Anderson,

Madison Park, N. J.

Dear Sir:-

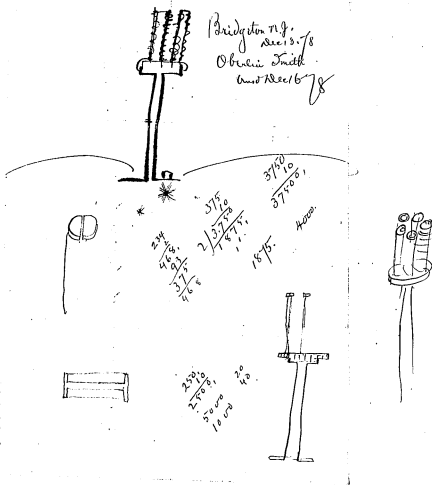
The buttons have just arrived.
Thanks for your kind attention. The
enclose #2. in payment.

To get the best effects in a greatly
variable resistance, do you use a single
button (compressed of course between 2 plat-
inum covered plates) or several piled together?
Of the latter method, how many? The
reason we ask is that the buttons are thin-
ner than we supposed.

Yours very truly,

Wm. F. Smith,
Sec. and Treas.

Bridgton N.Y.
 Dec. 13. 78
 O'Brien Field
 Gust Dec 16 78



19 Union Park St Dec 15th 1878

Received from Mr. A. Edison

Five hundred Dollars and 75/100 Dollars.

Handy & date OK when made Jan 1st 1874 to Dec 15th 1874
111 telephone wires to 1110 telegraph company
in Union Park St.
\$650.00 in full Chas. C. C. C. C.

Dec 17. 78

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NY 17

10²⁰ AM

J. A. Edison
ms

Western Electric out of
 Carbon & hurry them
 up and send two
 hundred and fifty
 a week till they tell
 you to stop. Telegraph
 them how soon you can start

some

Geo Walker

30th H.

7th & 4th

111 111 111 111
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V. P.

Edison

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EDISON'S
ELECTRIC PEN AND PRESS
Address
GEO. H. BLISS.
Genl. Managen.
142 La Salle Street, Chicago, ~~Dec 2nd~~ 1878

T. A. Edison Esq.

Menlo Park. N. J.

Dear Sir.

Your previous letter stated that complications had arisen which would prevent your receiver from coming out at present. This made me a little blue; not knowing all the facts, I feared a so me jangle of ink and paper which would operate to your disadvantage. Of course it is none of my business but I can't help feeling interested whenever your reputation as an inventor & a man is involved. The Western Union people are going to have no

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easy victory in the telephone field, & need every possible advantage which can be obtained. I believe that with your new receiver they could get an increased rental & bring the terms up to some point where there would be a profit in the transaction.

Respy.

Geo. H. Bliss

Gen. Man.

AMONG VARIOUS PLAYS
LINDS IN DIRECTION, SING

RECEIVED BY BELL CO. AGT
RECEIVED BY BELL CO. AGT

Office of
Western Electric Manufacturing Co.
24 W. 42nd Street, Chicago.

DEC. 24, 1878

T. A. EDISON ESQ.,

MENLO PARK

N. J.

DEAR SIR:--

WE ARE INFORMED BY MR. ROSS, MAN-
AGER OF THE W. U. TEL. CO.'S OFFICE AT COLUMBUS,
THAT THE BELL TELEPHONE CO. HAVE FURNISHED
A FEW MICROPHONES, AS THEY CALL THEM, TO CUS-
TOMERS AT COLUMBUS, O.

MR. ROSS WRITES THAT THE BELL AGENT THERE
IS MUCH DISCOURT WITH THEIR BATTERY MICRO-
PHONES. WHEN ADJUSTED FOR ONE TONE OF VOICE
THEY TRANSMIT LOUDLY; ANY CHANGE OF VOICE
KNOCKS IT ENDWAYS. HIS EXPERIENCE IS SO FAR
THAT IT HAD TO BE ADJUSTED EVERY TIME THEY
WANT TO USE IT.

YOURS TRULY,

W. B. Barton

SEC'y

P.O. Box 5045.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,

Western Union Building,

George Walter,
Vice President.

New York, Dec. 24 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq

Manila Post P.O.

Dear Sir,

I find that Mr.

Reid, in preparing the copies of
our contract with ^{you in} relation to the
Canada patents, inadvertently,
put the names of the J. & L. Co to
them instead of those of the
Am. Ely. Mfg. Co.; & I signed them
as vice pres of the former Co.
instead of as pres of the latter.
I am having new copies made,
& if you will bring yours
in the next time you come
to the city, we will exchange the
new copies & destroy the old.

I have instructed Mr. Scott

to look into your bill for
carbon buttons rec. this
morning is understood to
may be paid.

Yours very truly,

Georg W. M. M.

Wid. Post.

11/12 Dec 24 '78

Geo. W. M. M.

Regarding the contract
between the 9 & D. B.
& Edison (Telephone)

P.O. Box, 7043.

William O'Brien, President
George H. West, Vice President
For B. Russell
James D. Reid, Secretary

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company.

Western Union Building.

New York, Dec. 24th 1878

My Dear Mr. Edison,

I have received a copy of your letter of 23rd inst. to Dr. Anson, which would have been rendered unnecessary, if Mr. Hawker & myself could have seen you when we were at your place on Friday last, as we were authorized to accept your proposition in relation to your proposed new "Receiver" as stated in your letter to me of 29th Nov. last, with the understanding that said Receiver, when connected with your Carbon Transmitter by a Telegraphic Conductor, shall constitute a practical Speaking Telephone, which shall also not infringe any patent in existence not owned or controlled by the American Speaking Telephone Company. I presume this is what you intended, as it is essential to its value, and if you will write me to that effect, the matter may be considered closed, and the papers can be prepared at once -

Very truly Yours

Jesse P. Edison

P.S. A Merry Christmas to you.
Please come see me when
you come to the City again

WILLIAM CUNNE, President.
GEORGE WALKER, Vice-President.
GEO. H. PARSONS, Secy.
JAS. D. SMITH, Secretary.
GEORGE H. SMITH, Superintendent.

GOLD AND STOCK TELEGRAPH COMPANY, L

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,

WESTERN UNION BUILDING.

P. O. Box 5645.

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New York, Dec 24th 1878

Mr. Edison Esq,
Meals Park N.Y.
Dear Sir

Your letter of 23rd Dec to Vice Pres Walker is recd, and has been referred to me for particulars.

All accounts, or statements which you send to me, will receive prompt attention, as you will see by the following facts. Your bill for \$110 was passed for payment Oct 16th, bill for \$2,220 Oct 3rd, and bill for \$4,220, on Nov 19th total \$6340.00. On Enquiry of Mr Saylor as to how the matter stands, I find the amounts placed to your credit

Yours respy
Geo H. Smith

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,
P.O. Box 5645,
Western Union Building;

George Wallcut,
Vice President.

New York, Dec 31, 1878

Mr. Edison Esq
Menlo Park
New Jersey.

Dear Sir,

In reply to your letter dated yesterday,
enclosing a communication from L.W. Byer, we
have no objection to your selling him some
of your carbon for experimental purposes; it
being clearly understood that neither ~~the~~ you
nor we authorize him to make telephones
in competition with ourselves or in infringe-
ment of your patent.

Respectfully yours,

George Wallcut
Vice Pres.

As you have put our
telephone negotiation
in black and white
I will do the same
I will on Tuesday
put up a pair of
telephones for trial
& submit copies of
claims & drawings
of my 13 applications
with my experimental
records

[TRANSCRIPTION]

TAE to ?

[1878]

As you have put our telephone negotiation in black and white I will do the same. I will on Tuesday put up a pair of telephones for trial & submit copies of claims & drawings of my 13 applications with my experimental records

My Dear Sir -

I am very busy & ~~am~~ may
not be in my this week - Should like to
~~have~~ ^{the} ~~manager~~ ^{for} your letter ~~on~~ ^{on} my
telephone, so if we ~~can~~ ^{do not} feel it can
be submitted to arbitration under the
contract —

from NY to Char Bosteler.
Send Mr. Bosteler here immediately with the
papers bearing matter.

Dep T A Edison

Room 47

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., 1878

Chicago 18

T. A. Edison mrs

We sent two new telephones and
the induction coils by today's Express
did you send buttons your
telephone continues to work
well answer

E. M. Barton
Recy

23 pair

Reply

E. M. Barton Chicago

Glad to hear it. Buttons
sent by Express Saturday

T. A. Edison

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., 187

Chicago 21

T. A. Edison

We sent you by Express
Wednesday a carbon telephone
advised we found our binding
posts were too long after shipping
them off we get buttons on so
as to work as well as yours
but can't do it yet as well
with silk disks. answer

E. M. Barton
Recy

T. A. EDISON,

Menlo Park, N. J.,

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W. M. Barton

W. E. Mfg Co

Chicago,

Better about new box, it is a
great improvement and I think
will not be altered soon, will
telegraph Sunday when it will
be shipped, your transmitters are first class

J. A. Carson

30, Oct,

Phila

Edison

Apr. 16

Can you give us a list this pm by
way of New York, if we have the wires fixed can
you also send us one or two Carbon Transmitters
this afternoon to take the place of the
two old ones we are not having satisfaction
with want send one to Washington
tomorrow to make a list =

Bentley =

Bentley.

Do not count last test we found
that we had a loose wire inside
transmitter, —

Edison

Henry Bentley — Philad
our transmitter was so very miserable
that we want to try it over again to
morrow

Edison

Germentown pa

12: J A Edison

All right try it again
Wednesday same hour —
Bentley =

Telegram

Henry Bentley, Philadelphia Pa
Mail Telephone & I will
return immediately. Have less expectation
~~Telephone work~~

Edison

W.S.

DIRECTIONS

FOR GETTING UP

The Edison Transmitter Boxes.

Battery (either carbon or gravity) is needed at each station, and is used alternately as local and main. It is used as local when talking, and as main to call with.

The battery at all the stations is left on the main circuit for calling, except when conversation is being carried on. The switch changes the battery from the local circuit to the main line. The battery of one station remaining in circuit does not interfere with talking between any other two stations.

Connect the battery at each station to the blinding posts at the top and left of the box, the zinc pole to the post marked "Z," and the copper or carbon pole to the post marked "C."

The posts at the right with lightning arrester plate between them are for line connections. They are also marked "Z" and "C," because when the battery is connected as above described, the one marked "Z" connects with the zinc pole, and the one marked "C" connects with the copper pole of the battery. Connect the zinc at each station to copper at the next station, so that batteries for calling will work together and not in opposition.

The blinding posts at the bottom of the box are for connecting the hand telephones. One of these posts is marked "Z," the other "C," the notched tip of the hand telephone cord should be placed in the post marked "C." This is necessary so as to avoid danger of the battery current demagnetizing the magnet of the hand telephone.

For short lines one cell of carbon, or two cells of gravity battery are needed at each station. These are enough for speaking purposes for any length of line, but for long lines more cells are needed for calling. These may be placed at any point in the main circuit.

The carbon bottom of the Edison Transmitter is delicate and liable to disarrangement from a slight jar. The instrument should therefore be transported with great care, and the box should be fastened to the wall before the Transmitter is put into place.

1878. Telephone - Carbon Button Orders (D-78-039)

This folder contains material relating to the ordering of carbon buttons for Edison's telephones. The buttons were made at the Menlo Park laboratory and were supplied to the Western Electric Manufacturing Company and to S. Bergmann, the firms which were manufacturing the telephones, and to the Gold and Stock Telegraph Company, which had control of the invention in the United States and Canada. Included are correspondence, account sheets, orders, and receipts. Because of the routine nature of the items in this folder, none of the documents have been filmed.

1878. Telephone - Foreign (D-78-040)

Correspondence, some by Edison; memorandum by Edison, agreements, articles of incorporation, power of attorney, receipt, circulars.

Not selected: duplicate copies of correspondence, duplicate copies of agreements.

negotiation of the
purchase of

May 5, 1878

Bell's patents
upon which to
organize a
Telephone Company
here

If you know to
what we refer
particularly I
shall be happy
to make the best
use of them for
you may be

P

6 Lombard Street, N.C.

London, 5th June 1878

Thomas Edison Esq
Stanley

If you have
any English patent
of value on the
Telephone you
would better be
on the ground
with them without
loss of time as
I understand funds
of mine are in
active negotiation

JAMES PARTNICK.

FRANKLIN R. CARTER.

Partrick & Carter,

PRACTICAL TELEGRAPHERS AND ELECTRICIANS.

MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN

TELEGRAPH AND ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENTS AND SUPPLIES.

No. 38 South Fourth Street,

Manufactory, 614, 616 and 618 Fifth Street.

P.O. Box 5601.

39 Park Row.

Office Woodlands

7 July 1878

My dear Sir;

By a recent arrangement I represent Mr. S. S. H. White and Mr. Elisha Gray in telephone & other matters, outside the U. States. I would like to meet you when you are in town this week, on what may prove of mutual advantage. If you will be so good as to send a direct message, or telegraph at my expense, as above, stating how in some day this week when I can call on you. I will extend my personal regards to Mr. A. Edison and Mr. J. W. Baird.

Philadelphia, July 11 1878
 Mr. A. Edison Esq
 New York

Sir - We understand you have perfected your Telephone so it works splendidly - we have been waiting for them for Havana, and South America, you promised to write us when they were all right - How about it? - Can't you let us have a pair for trial - we want to secure business for you with foreign countries and our correspondence and facilities are think are equal if not superior to any in the business - please reply
 J. Partrick & Carter

JAMES PARTRICK.

FRANKLIN S. CARTER.

Partrick & Carter,

PRACTICAL TELEGRAPHERS and ELECTRICIANS.

MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN

TELEGRAPH and ELECTRICAL INSTRUMENTS and SUPPLIES.

No. 38 South Fourth Street,

Philadelphia, Pa.

Philadelphia, Pa. July 14 1878

O. M. Edison Esq.

Windsor Park, N.Y.

My dear Sir - Yours of hand, one reason
why I wrote you was to conduct
your friend Butler at Havana
has given out he is your exclusive
agent, which we hope not and especially
as you promised us a show there, we
also have big influence in Guatemala
and know we can ride rough shod
over any one in that direction
as our correspondent is the Govt,
Director of Telegraphs there, and is
after some now hot - Can't you
let us have one set for testing
purpose want to get up Circular
in Spanish - Will return it in one
day if you say so

Partrick & Carter

ESTIMATED

Chicago 18 July 78

My dear Sir:

I beg to acknowl-
-edge receipt of your favor
of the 12th inst. forwarded
from N.Y. and to say that
the last of this week or the
first next I will call on
you at your place.

Respectfully,

J. D. Bailey
T. L. Edison Esq. }
New Jersey }

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company,

Western Union Buildings,

New York, Feb 23rd 1878

P.O. Box 5645.

William C. Brown, President

George H. Bell, Vice-President

John B. Brown, Secretary

James B. Smith, Treasurer

T. A. Edison Esq

Dear Sir

T. J. Smith (one of the family)

wants to make your acquaintance with
the view of making arrangements for
the introduction of your Telephone
in South and Central America, in
which countries he is acquainted.
Anything you can do for him in
the way of advancing your mutual
interests will be deserved, as he
is a good square young man

Truly Yours

O. L. Smith

Memorandum.

FROM *Imre Kivalgy*

307 East 56th Street

To *T. A. Edison Esq*
Mend Park New Jersey

New York Feb 24 1878

Sent by Express and insured by Postoffice B.O.

Dear Sir,

I have just returned from Paris where I have made a number of important arrangements for American Inventors of. I have heard of you & am very desirous of seeing you as soon as possible & beg you to appoint a meeting at your very earliest convenience & greatly oblige
 Yours Truly *Imre Kivalgy*



Mr T. A. Edison
Mend Park, N.J.

Dear Sir

Mr W. F. Wheeler

wishes to visit you in relation to your Telephone for Cuba, and any other invention you may have. I have arranged with him to go to your place Monday 11 A.M. Will you be at home? Please advise me early Monday and

Yours Truly
W. F. Wheeler



My dear Mr. Edison

Before I trouble you I must
apologize for so doing - I was very
much surprised at meeting a man
today who told me he was Prof^r
Edison's agent for the Telephone in
the Island of Cuba - the name
is James - and I told him
that I had an idea that he was
mistaken that I was Butler of
Alabama & I considered myself
one of Professor Edison's special staff
& his head cook & bottle washer
in Cuba - & nearly two years on
his respectable service - & that if
there was any telephoning to be done
that I was the boy who was going
to do it - You can send me my
instrument as soon as you like

U B Batten Dec
Mar 8

& above all let me have full
instructions for translation into
Spanish as also your special
improvements - Notes will inform
for publication in the papers -

I shall repeat my very
pleasant meet soon

Travels
J. B. Batten

Regards to V. B. Batten -

New York

12 March '76

My dear Sir:

Since my interview with you
some points have seemed to me in con-
=nection with which I think it would
be well for us to have some conversation.
It is so much easier to arrive at an
understanding by conversation than by
writing that in case you are not coming
to New York tomorrow or next day, I will
run out to Menlo Park; if I may be
sure to find you in, I will not now
make appointments for any fixed hour, but
will come out if those days (either Wed. or
Thursday), if I shall be sure to find you
at home. Please to telegraph me as soon
as you receive this. Care New Orleans
39 Park Row. Collect here whether I shall
find you, or if you will be coming to let
me know. I am, Sir, very truly,
J. A. Edison Esq. J. P. Bailey

(Telephone in France)

Blank No. 1.

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A. R. BREWER, Sec'y.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't.

Date New York Mar 18th 1878

Received at To J. A. Edison

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

Shall I find
you home tomorrow
afternoon answer paid

J. A. Bailey
Emmett House

J. H. Bailey
Mar 22nd 78
S.C.

My dear Sir,

Confidential

Everett, Mass.
Union Square, New York
Hess & Warrers.

22 March 78

My dear Sir: I was
sorry to miss you the
other day. I wanted to say
to you that in case of
a union of interests I
shall work just as
assiduously to extend your
operation, and the knowledge
of your inventions through
the Press of London, as I
shall that of my own.
in all other ways, as this
would be a legitimate

way of strengthening the
business interest,

Yours very truly,

J. F. Bailey

Care Brown & Hubley
Hos. ^{Baughman} London & Co.

L. A. Gordon Esq

J. Bailey
Mar 22.
Yale

Everett House,
Union Square, New York.
Hunt & Hunt.

22 Feb. 76

Dear Mr. Bliss, Dr. White,
being here to-day has kept
me very busy. I slipped
you writing to Perkins.
I will write you &
hope to hear from you.

Yours sincerely

J. F. Bailey

Care Brown Shipley
Perkins, N.Y.
London, E.C.

John Bailey

WAL. H. CROSSMAN,
GEO. W. CROSSMAN,
P. O. BOX 2232.

OFFICE OF
W. H. CROSSMAN & BRO.,
Commission Hardware,
118 CHAMBERS STREET,
New York, April 18 1878

Mr. Thos. A. Edison
Newark, N. J.
Dear Sir

A correspondent of ours in Chili
has written us as follows. —

"We have read a translation from the 'Scien-
'tific American' by which it appears there
"has been an improvement in the Alphabet-
"ical Instrument of Mr. Thos. A. Edison, and
"that they append the telephone to it. We have
"a set here which have been only used at the
"Santiago Exhibition and shall be glad to
"know if the late improvements could be ap-
"plied to these instruments or exchanged"

Please give us any information
you can, with costs &c.,
and oblige

Yours Truly
W. H. Crossman & Bro.
Edison
Don't understand this

W. H. Crossman & Bro.
Edison

JAMES PARTNERS.

FRANKLIN A. CARTER.

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MANUFACTURERS OF AND DEALERS IN
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No. 38 South Fourth Street,
Manufactory, 614, 616 and 618 Filbert Street.

Philadelphia, Chc 19 1877

J. A. Chinn
My dear Mr. Park
Offer- I haven't had time
to come to Minn lately to see
you as I wanted to badly I
want to get from you a set
of your Telephones I know them,
so I can make some as
you and I spoke about doing
for Sport, and pay you
a royalty upon them, I
think I have a good field
in Central America, I will
keep the thing perfectly
quiet and to myself
so will my Correspondent,
= If you send me a set
can let you have them

Joe Patrick

Apr. 19

again in a day or two, or if
you send me a note of
this kind, Mr. Bentley let
me I have set of my
Telephones for day or two
he will return them - I
will be all right - Please
do so soon

And with yours

Joe Patrick

Carman answer

Joe Patrick -

Wait a few days
until my new & permanent
form is ready

E. L. Loran

OSTHEIMER BROTHERS,
30 BANK STREET,
PHILADELPHIA.

Philad April 29th 1898.

Mr Thomas A Edison.

Myrtle Park. - N.J.

Dear Sir, We are in receipt of a letter from Dr F. Mizerka,
Imperial Royal Counselor to the Court of Austria and Chief Commissioner
to the late Centennial Exposition, requesting us to send him for the
use of the "Levrasbeveries" (Theoretical League) at Vienna,
the most improved Telephone, now in existence.

We have in use a Bells telephone, and are now fully
satisfied with it, but recently, the writer attended a lecture given
by Prof Barker, in which your Carbon telephone was
explained and we phoned before buying another instrument,
like to hear more about yours.

Would you have the kindness to give us full details
about your Carbon telephone, the advantages it possesses
over the others, and at what price we could buy a
complete instrument for Austria.

Also please let us know the price of a phonograph
should we wish to send one to Dr Mizerka.

Yours kind attention, very greatly obliged

Yours Most respectfully,
Ostheimer Brothers.

Samuel M. Serrall's

OFFICES FOR PROCURING

American & Foreign Patents,

76 CHAMBERS STREET,

(P. O. Box 1089)

Thos. A. Edison Esq.

New York, May 6th 1878.

Dear Sir;

I send below a copy of a communication from my London correspondent.

Yours truly
Samuel M. Serrall
A. Serrall

"We regret very much to be obliged to report the failures of Telephone (Edison) up to the present. we had a conversation with Mr. Greese on the subject this week and he appears to have written very fully to Mr. Edison. We have not seen Mr. Edison yet but we understand that he is working very hard to try & put matters right; and is very annoyed naturally. The difficulty is with the underground wires and a telephone is useless here unless it will work when some of the wires are underground. Mr. Greese is very much disappointed. Of course Messrs. Vallance cannot proceed until the Telephone works well and let us hope this will be done before something else better gets into the market"

Montreal

May 8th 1878

Dear Edison

You need Badger
is alive, awake, and eager
for the fray.

Send along the Telephone and
I will soon demonstrate the
subscriber's intentions to work the
"contract" to our mutual satisfaction.

Yours in suspense
H. B.

Can't you put in a day or two?

Montreal

May 16th 78

Dear Edison

Yrs of 10th inst. recd.

I will transfer all outside
side of Montreal for
\$25,000. (~~Twenty~~ five thousand)
500. of which will be your
commission.

I have such confidence in
you and the success of the
Telephone that I feel sure
I can make twice that amt.
in Montreal within a year
in putting in lines.
Yrs. H. B. Rogers

(May 1878?)

message from N. Y. to

J. A. Edison or Batchelor

please let entire set come
and bells accompanying telephones to day
and

J. J. Smith

we have had to send the insurance policy
for you to Phil. for some reason
I will have more soon

Care Ludwig & rs & den

Cable

Sent 6.30 PM
June 1st / 78

Gouraud

~~London~~
London.

England.

Take charge my Telephone in

Edison

of paid

June 3rd 78
Edison Memo Paris n. 6

Your Combination with Gray seems
Substantial monopoly England
Wait letter before writing Preece

17 London

Bailey

307. East 56 Street
New York June 4 '78

My dear Mr Edison,

Yours of 3^d to hand, I should
be pleased to use the musical
Telephone in Europe, on
a percentage of the Gross
receipts. I have my Mother
in Law in Paris now who
has written to me about it
befor I wrote to you. If you
would be prepared to arrange
on such terms I will come
to see you any day you
like.

Yours truly,

Imre Kovalich

NY June 5-78

Imre Kivalfy

Musical Telephone

307. East 56th Street
New York June 5-78

My Dear Mr. Edwin

If you will furnish me with
a complete & good working
Musical Telephone with the
Sole Right for Europe I will
see that it is properly brought
before the Public there & give
you ten (10) per Cent. of all
the gross receipts derived out
of it, my Brother in Law
now in Paris would start
a Concert as soon as possible
if we arrange.

Respectfully Yours
Imre Kivalfy

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., June 7, 1878

Cable Telegram

Edison Menlo Park

Ship six telephones immediately
Gouard

London

Memorandum

FROM

Imre Kivalffy
New York

TO

T. A. Edison &
Menlo Park
N. Y. June 8, 1878

Very Respectfully, T. A. Edison, N. Y.

I will write your proposition
to my brother in Law at once he
will then cable me. please let
me have the refusal until I hear
from him & oblige you truly

Imre Kivalffy

London, 8 June 1876

My dear Sir,

On receiving your cable "call
on Goussard & Lombard," I had
an interview with him. Afterwards
I sent you the cable inquiring
whether you were "committed to
Goussard or were free to negotiate
personally." Mr. G. showed me
a telegram from your attorney -
= "ask him to take charge of"
your telephone in England. But
I did not feel sure from that,
as to the extent to which he
was authorized to act for you, &
have sent the last cable. Your
response was only, "Mr.
"Goussard has full power." Not=
= misunderstanding the different phrase
put on the matter by these cables,
from that which we supposed it
to mean. Hence our letter of

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the 5th was written. Mr. Pope and
I have decided to send these letters
to you. I return to Paris this
evening. But Mr. Pope and
another gentleman who will
represent me, will talk with
Mr. Goussard and I wish, on the
subject of combination, to hear
in any form of the negotiation.
It seems more desirable to fix
you a fixed sum for your
telephone patents. I may bring
this about if your figures are
not too high. I do not touch
this subject in the conversation
with Goussard. You must
bear in mind that the tele-
= phone field is a good deal
cut up, and any patent will be
attended with a good deal of litigation.
= Even if the attempt is to be

21. 10. 1895

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seriously made to enforce it,
the time for fancy prices has
gone by, and I hope that you
will take these suggestions as
fairly representing the situation,
and not as made for the purpose
of "beating you down". The
situation is much muddled.

and no one is going to pay a
large price for any of the patents.
I would suggest that on
receipt of this you cable to
me or to Graham if he has not
already the information; what
is your lowest selling price
for your telephone patent, in
case that form of the business
should come up, Myadrea, or also
that of Mr. Pike is Cass, McLeod & Co.
41 Lombard St, London.

Yours very truly,
J. A. Edison Esq. H. R. Bailey,

Montreal
June 22nd 78

Dear Edison

Yrs of 20th inst. rec^d
Since making the proposition
to you I have given the matter
fuller consideration and
inasmuch as the field in this
city is a large one for the intro-
duction of the Telephone, likely
to develop to such an extent

as to take up my whole connections outside of this
attention for a year at city for the sum of
Cash, and with the difference twelve hundred dollars (\$1200)
try of obtaining any one to provided you accept fully
handle the affair properly on the party to whom the transfe-
rals of the City for me, I^{am} is made.

have come to the conclusion
that it would be best to con-
fine my efforts here, and
therefore I am willing to
relinquish all rights &

Very truly yours
J. H. Badger

New York June 28th 78

J A Edison Esq
Dr Sir

I have this day heard from Smith giving me the welcome intelligence that he has your Telephones in successful operation across the Isthmus from Panama to Aspinwall, also a set in successful working order for the P.M. Seco in Panama - He has been delayed in Panama longer than he anticipated owing to some trouble with the Govt about raising poles in the city - He hopes to be able to start South in July. He also informs me that he found Philb's telephones in use there - to a very small extent - and in experimenting found the Philb receiver in combination with your transmitter to give much better results than your set complete. He found one of your Receivers partly demagnetized - was so at first test. The Panama RR have not concluded to take the set working from Panama to Aspinwall but should they do so we will be left

Without Telephones - In view of this fact he
asked me to ascertain if you could & would
let us have half dozen sets on credit
(with all the latest improvements) in order that
he may have them with him when he goes
South, with a guarantee that he will return
if not used - but of course they will
be used - I will see that they are paid for in
three months or returned intact.
I hope the above will be satisfactory to you and
that you will be able to let us have them
at an early date -

Very truly yours,

L. A. Ludwig
197 Broadway

Ans'd July 12th 1888

Form 7.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD CO.'S TELEGRAPH.

[Telegraph]

Received

Office

Operator

From

For

Table -

608 P. N. July 8-1878
Couson

Shall I order telephones or
guy wires, claw patterns &

Puskas

12 Paris

Rm R 2

July 8-1878
9:30 PM

Puskas

Paris

About new

pattern, will ship via London
fifteen

10, paid

Express Note
To L. A. Carlson Esq.
Melrose Park - New Jersey.
From Geo. C. Bourne
6 Lombard St. London E.C.

9 July 18
Dear Mr. Carlson -
"Wait a moment before taking
opinion counsel. Please just
patented telephone then
to go any one using carbon
in telephone"

YCB

35 Broadway

New York July 10th 1878

Professor Thomas A. Edison
Melrose Park N.J.

Sir:

Please have the kindness
to forward me at your earliest
convenience, one or two of your
descriptive lists of your telephone,
as I wish to send them to Mexico
by the steamer of next Saturday the
13th inst.

Availing of this opportunity
to place myself at your disposal
I am Dear Sir

Yours Respectfully,
Juan N. Navarro
Mexican Consul Genl
per N. Hamburg

Paris July 12th 78

Watch.

Have at last got cable finished from our
space so that I can connect to any part of France
Telephones work red hot. I suppose you will be
thinking it is about time I know I do. Gray telephone
won't work at all Phelps does work but not as good
as the Bell telephones that Gower brought from Britain
Bailey showed the Phelps telephone to some newspaper men
and telegraph men but I believe it was represented as
the Gray. I asked Haskins for a Gray to see how it
worked for a receiver for ours but he said it
was no use they would not work that they were all
out of adjustment. Showed our telephone to the American
Commissioner today on an 18 mile wire and the most
delicate whisper could be heard. It is a decided
success the receivers that I use will lift their own
weight. That is the weight of the whole telephone the
weight I make 4 parts. I only use such wire where I have
got underground wire to contend with. I am going to get the wind
on Monday. I will put one end up in our space and the other in the
Counting office. Pope tried to get it but could not. I am very
glad that I have got them as it will fill up our space
nicely. We have a man for the other end of telephone that
speaks 4 languages so everyone can get a chance to listen to Phelps.
I say how is it that you said that MacLaughlin had gone to
Australia I find that he is in London at the present
there is some thing strange about it that I can't as yet
see through. I read a letter from London that was

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not intended for me to see it ran thus "Mac is
in London If there is any letters comes from him
addressed to my care just throw out of sight and
dont breath to a living soul on earth that he is
here. He will very likely come to Paris with me."
That letter was written by Beetle who is now in
London to Doctor K - I dont understand it as
yet.

C. Dams

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., July 15 1878

Cable
Edison M.P.N.S.
Are telephones shipped
Puskas
London

Puskas London
Will ship twentieth
Edison

Express Note
To L.R. Collins Esq.
Noelno Park - New Jersey

From Geo. E. Gairaud
6 Lombard St. London E.C.

Telephone

11 July 78

As soon as there are 1000
make a list. Lots of people waiting
waiting to see them. Have private
wire ready connecting office with
privately 3 miles & will have
connection also with Liverpool &
Birmingham & London -
Parker is here to get me to
help him organize in Paris

Express Note

To L.R. Collins Esq.
Noelno Park - New Jersey

From Geo. E. Gairaud
6 Lombard St. London E.C.

Let me know how you coming - on
date of the what show I am
to have with you for negotiating
your patents in this country.
I propose for as a first time
let you know if that will
be satisfactory. Better enter
deputy simply. Telephone half
will be sufficient. My idea
is to make a London Co.

Express Note

To L.R. Collins Esq.
Noelno Park - New Jersey

From Geo. E. Gairaud
6 Lombard St. London E.C.

& money organize Telephone
exchange long before in
large cities - & I have
the right people ready for
it -

GE

From Gouraud

White Park July 29 - 78 Monday

London July 15th /78

Telephonica

As soon as these arrive I shall make a stir
of people anxiously awaiting to see them. Have private
wire ready connecting office with Reading 3 miles and
will have connection also with Liverpool and Glasgow
or Edinburgh. Packard is here to get me to help
him organize in Paris. Let me hear from you in my interest
of this. What show I am to have with you for registering your
patents in this country. I propose 1/2 as a fair — (cost make
about 4) Let me know if that will be satisfactory. Better
Cable reply simply "Telephone half" will be sufficient. My idea
is to make a London Co and in my organize Telephone exchange here
where in large cities and I have the right people ready for
it.

J.E.J.

Receipt acknowledged
July 16th 78
J. P. B. B. B.
J. P. B. B. B.
J. P. B. B. B.

Montreal
July 16th 78

Dear Edison

What about the party
who wants telephone?

Have you any ready
for me yet?

Will party referred to
name a price for entire
transfer?

Please answer
Yr. truly

J. P. B. B. B.

St York July 15-78

S. L. Griffin Esq

Dear Sir

About a week or ten days ago
Mr Edison promised to let me have two sets
(Four Stations) Telephones, out of lot then being
made by Carter? (I think) with all latest improvements,
large receivers &c. I should like to have them
soon as possible in order to ship them to
Panama by next steamer - July 20th - I understand
Edison has gone west. Can you let me have
them and when? Freight will have to be
delivered to steamer Friday July 17th &c. If
unable to decide personally please
communicate with Edison.

Very much obliged

Yours

L A Ludwig

Form No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

The above of this form, may require that all messages received for transmission, shall be written on the reverse. Notice of the Company, under and subject to the conditions printed thereon, which conditions have been agreed to by the sender of the following message.

WILLIAM ORTON, Pres't, New York.
A. B. WHEWEL, Sec'y.

Dated New York July 28th 1878

Received at _____

To Mr Griffin

Will you have
those telephones ready
this week, would like
to have them by Friday
if possible.

L. A. Ludwig

Batch

Paris July 24 '78

I have a hard time in getting experimental apparatus made here, but I just thought today I could get Murth to do all that I wanted in the time, and I would be sure to get them right. I have got some very good receivers now, what I may call bang up. I don't know how the jury is going to decide in the Telephone matter, as Picco has got two of his friends on the jury and that may go a little against us. I have rec'd and accepted an invitation to go up in a Baloon on Saturday and if it busts I hope it will do so 35 miles above hell so that it will give a fellow a change his mind before he gets there. I have not got the quad yet but expect to get it soon as Pope has made a good deal of trouble about it and I have got to get the signature of the Ministers of France before I can get the apparatus. Bailey is trying to stop me from getting it as he says that Pope left his power of Atty with him. Pope went back to America because he could not settle himself here. When I come back I will tell you something rich about this. So — — — He did his best to hurt the Edison Telephone but it was after he got out of my reach. Bailey is here and so he can get out of it he put everything on Pope back but it don't work worth a cent as I have him (B) by the nuts —

Adams

WEXEL & DE GRESS,

WEXEL & DE GRESS,

J. W. WEXEL,

CITY OF MEXICO.

No. 514 CALLE DE PLATEROS,
CITY OF MEXICO.

No. 110 CALLE DEL CAJAL,
VALENZUELA, CHILE.

No. 121 A CALLE DE CARAYAS,
LIMA, PERU.
SANTIAGO.

SAN LUIS POTOSI, GUADALAJARA.

Arms and Ammunition,

MILITARY EQUIPMENTS, &c.

FRANCO DE GRESS,
Care of J. W. Wexel & Co.,
No. 23 Murray St., N. Y.
P. O. Box 1598.

13 BARCLAY ST.,
P. O. BOX, 5756

New York, July 25 1878

L. Griffen
Care Pro Edison
Menlo Park
N.J.

Dear Sir

Please send us one "Edison Telephone"
with two instruments, one for each end, with in-
structions how to apply same to a common
telegraph line. Also if we can guarantee
its well working for 300 miles -

We have not yet been
able to accomplish anything with Mr. Cheever
on the 28th inst. He expects a formal answer
from a party in Mexico to whom he has
written. Hoping to hear from you

with very best wishes & kind
regards for yourself & Messrs. Bachelor & Blair
a believe me

Yours sincerely
J. W. Wexel

[ATTACHMENT]

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.

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Forwired

*\$42.50 each for
Telephone
Battery
Call bell*

No 2 msx
Menlo Park, N. J.,

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July 25-78

Thos A Edison

Rawlins W.

Gouraud asks if India is
mentioned in such contract
If not wants power attorney
has desirable party.

I strongly advise attending
to Painter's request of this
morning

Griffin

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497

Menlo Park, N. J.,

July 25 - 1878

Geo. G. Ward 16 Broadway
NY
Gouraud London - Pastas
has India T. A. Edison

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4 Recd 2:15 P.M.
Menlo Park, N. J., July 20 1878

Rawlins Wy 25-
S. L. Griffin - m -

Cable Gouraud Puskas has
India have telegraphed
Batchelor the orders
T. A. Edison

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T. A. EDISON.

1821

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Menlo Park, N. J., July 26 1878

Loth. Ludwig,
197 Broadway NY

Will bring telephones today
Be there about two or thirty

1924

~~Edison~~
T. A. Edison

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., July 29 1878

Tadacom -

Can you get telephones
to me by one o'clock tomorrow
vesee sailo wednesday o'g

La Lubbing

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

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July 29 1878

La Ludwig
CND NY.

You will deliver Telephones
at twelve thirty tomorrow Tuesday

gdx

T. A. Edison

WEXEL & DE GRESS,

WEXEL & DE GRESS,

J. W. WEXEL,

CITY OF MEXICO.

No. 51 CALLE DE PLATENO,
CITY OF MEXICO.

No. 146 CALLE DEL CARO,
VALPARAISO, CHILE.

No. 171 A CALLE DE CARABAYA,
LIMA, PERU.

PARAMA. SANTIAGO.

SAN LUIS POTOSI. GUANAJUATO.

Arms and Ammunition,

MILITARY EQUIPMENTS, &c

FRANCIS DE GRESS,
Care of J. W. WEXEL & Co.
No. 15 MURRAY ST., N. Y.
P. O. Box 199.

New York, July 29th 1896
13 BAYCLAY ST,
P. O. BOX, 5756

S. L. Griffin Esq
Mexico City
N. J.

Dear Sir

Your kind favor of the 26th inst.
is duly to hand, and thanks for its contents.
Please send us by Aug. 5th the telephones
ordered as per our letter of July
25th. - The wires on which this will be used
will not cross any river or water of any
kind

Yours Respectfully
Wexel & De Gress
J. W.

(Service Message Form.)

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited.

NEW YORK STATION, 21 July 1878

Send from	Send to
Time	Time
Code	Code
No. of Message	
No. of Words	
From	To
London	Edison
Have you shipped telephones?	
Gouraud	
Please mail me answer and say when Mr Edison is expected back from Colorado	
J. Ward	

Received July 21, 1878
 from Mr. J. Ward
 with copy registered July 2, 1878

Express Note.

To L. A. Edison Esq.
 Madison Park - New Jersey.

From Geo. E. Gouraud
 6 Lombard St. - London - E.
 2 Aug 1878.

What is the delay in your shipping the telephones?
 I can do nothing here until they are in hand, but have prepared the ground for an active campaign when they are received and found to work as I have no doubt they will. - Pushkin is unable to help me in the interim - and indeed, it seems undesirable that I should take any telephones from him in the light of your recent cable to him that he should go on until he receives those from you to be shipped to 20th - I had hoped that you would ship me the telephones on that date. - It must now be nearly the month before those you promised to ship will be at hand. - I hope to send you in a day or two the list of the members of the Royal Society.

T. A. EDISON,

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Aug 7 1888

L. C. Ludwig 197 Bway

Meet me at Tillotsons at ten
thirty want to ~~get~~ return on
Eleven o'clock train.

T. A. Edison

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WEXEL & DE GRESS,

No. 314 CALLE DE PLATEROS,
CITY OF MEXICO.

No. 105 CALLE DEL CERO,
VALPARAISO, CHILE.

No. 121 A CALLE DE CARAYIA,
LIMA, PERU.

PANAMA. SANTAGO.

SAN LUIS POTOSI. GUAYMAS.

WEXEL & DE GRESS,

Arms and Ammunition,

MILITARY EQUIPMENTS, &c.

J. W. WEXEL,

13 BARCLAY ST., City of Mexico.

P.O. BOX 5758

CITY OF A. GROSS & CO.

No. 22 MONMOUTH ST., N. Y.

P. O. Box 1562.

New York, Augt 9 1878

S L Griffin Esqr
Mexico

Dear Sir

I have just returned from the White Mountains, where my family, Separeu, and found your kind note of the 6th inst, and in compliance with your request please find enclosed Cheque for the amt of Invoice Augt 5/78.

I trust Mr Edison returned in good health & to whom please make my kind regards. Hoping you are well

Yours sincerely
J W Wexel

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J.

Aug 10 1878

S. L. Gifford M.D.

Please bring Sept 10
Tuesday 10.00 a.m.

Yours truly
T. A. Edison

SAK
77

T. A. EDISON.

NO 1

2:15 pm

Menlo Park, N. J.

Aug 10

1870

J. A. Edison

Rawlins WY

Has Putnam got Turkey
for Carbon Telephone
Can I sell two to go
there

J. L. Hoffman

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g. 5y. 8

THEO. PUSKAS
REPRESENTANT DE M^r EDISON
A L'EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE
PARIS 1878

Paris, le Aug 10th 1878

Mr. Chas. Bathster

SECTION DES ETATS-UNIS

Telephone letter than I ever
expected to get then everything
favourable. I think you may expect
to get money from telephones in about
3 weeks, I think in about that time
everything will be fixed, going to Express
on Dover cable tomorrow week.

give you full particulars
in a few days

kindest respects
to all

Yours
Theo. Puskas

tell Ellen not to think anything
about not getting letters & get on
from me for I am busy day and
night

THEO. PUSKAS
REPRESENTANT DE LA RUSSIE
A L'EXPOSITION UNIVERSELLE
DE 1889
SECTION DES SCIENCES
MATHÉMATIQUES

Paris le Aug 11th 1878

Mr Chas Batchelor

Dear Sir

I wrote you a few lines the other day. but give you very little news. I shall give you all I know now give an exhibition of telephones on Thursday to financial men, and Friday for the press. experiments was most successfull and I think that telephones on a financial point of view is O. K. Bailey is pushing Puskas hard to accept 50,000 francs cash and so much stock of the company, he is afraid that Puskas will back out and Russia, but I think that he will do better than either. as Bailey cant do anything with either Shill or Gray. The Edison was the only one exhibited as it was useless to try to show any Magneto telephones where there was 50 or 60 Frenchmen and everyone talking at once some of the newspapers say that the Gray telephon was shown but it was not so bad as that said so was well paid for it by Bailey if it was not that they are working together I should have contradicted it. to show you what kind of a fellow Bailey is. he came to me in the

hall and says its no use to try to show off either the
Phelps or Gray. So you just show your telephone and I
will say that it is a combination of all three, for
if we try to show the magnets it will be a failure and
give those men that has come here with the intention of
putting money in it a bad impression. I say so what
you like but if any one asks me I must tell the truth
so enters Dr. Hertz with six of the rocket men in and the
Hall was crowded. He stands on one side and asks
for silence everyone got quite and then he introduced
me and Puckas & Bailey to the gentlemen present and
said Gentlemen it is no use wasting your time trying
either the Phelps or Gray telephones. The Edison telephone is
what you want to listen to and the only telephone
that is worth a damn. Bailey felt fearful bad over it
and Hertz is a sorry man to day that he let the Edison
telephone slip through his hands. He says he was a damned
fool and it was that son of a Bitch Puckas fault for
he advised him to have nothing to do with it.

I used 12 receivers in current and could have put in
as many more if I had them. I also showed that I could
talk 10 feet away from transmitter in a very low tone
and get it read at other end. On short line you
can talk 50 ft away from transmitter and get it stand out
I have got bang at receivers I know you will send me
some as good. I have been asked by some of the
men that is going to buy telephone if I should stay in
Paris and get everything in running order for them, and
that they would pay me well for it, and I said I should
providing Edison would give the current. Write you in a
few days and give you drawings and all about how the Phonograph

T. A. EDISON.

No 1

Sept 4

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 13 1878

Griffin
MB

Just got your note
found telephones what are you
going to charge for these - will
send check shall I make
check to Edison

OK

L. A. Ludwig

T. A. EDISON.

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1:30 PM.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 12 1878

Ogle Utah 11

J L Griffin Menlo Park N J

You can sell in Turkey
T. A. Edison

5254
Jy 9

T. A. EDISON.

No 1

Sept 9

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 15 1878

L. A. Ludwig NY

Make check to Chas Batchelor
at Thirty five each
Griffin

924

New York Aug 13-78

J L Griffin Esq

Doris

I enclose check for
\$140⁰⁰ for the four Telephone Stations -
Remember I pay the \$35 each under protest to be
referred to Edison when he returns - I did
not get your note until about 2 o'clock
today & consequently did not meet you -
got the Telephones OK - Please send me
a receipt for the amount - By the
way - how about those Carbon buttons
you were going to fix for me?
When will Edison return

Yours
L. A. Ludwig

T. A. EDISON.

✓

Cable

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Aug 15 - 1878

Edison Menlo Park N. J.

Can you sell Telephone
patents independent of Post
am offered Twenty five thousand
dollar for France & Russia
or fifty thousand Cash
for Europe except England
Have you received any money
from Exhibitions & sales of Phono-
graph in France Answer
me only Post office American
Section Exposition

Adams Paris

G. Paris Mex & G.

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T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J., 15 - 1878

1878

T. A. Edison Menlo Park, N. J.

Mr Adams cables follow:
Can you sell telephone patent in-
dependant of Postas I am offered
Twenty five thousand dollar for
France and Russia or fifty
thousand cash for Europe
except England. Have you
received any money from
Exhibition and sale of Phonograph
in France answer me only
Post office American section
Exposition. Batcher.

50 D.

Mex & G.

5,23 P.

Mount. Park N.Y. 1/15
J. R. Edison
Ranunculus

Bliss writes cable from
butte says pictures in
financial trouble dangerous
Patchelon

11 Dec

T. A. EDISON.

1 Cable 4:50 PM

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 16 1878

Edison Menlo Park New Jersey

Prospect for disposing french
telephone patent extremely good
though Herz & Beette trying hard
to spoil it Beette secured
Peragency for Herz great
pity
Puskas

20 pairs
Jy 9

T. A. EDISON.

2 Cable 4:50 PM

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 16 1878

Edison Menlo Park New Jersey

Humbages by Herz Beette
yesterday cable no
weight Adams

12 pairs
Jy 9

503

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

No. 39 OK This Company, TRANSFERS TELEGRAMS on any conditions, charging no fee, which have been sent to the order of the following company. No fee will be charged unless the sender is notified by the receiving station for non-payment, and the Company will not be liable for any loss or damage to the message or to the property of the sender. This message is an UNRECEIVED MESSAGE and is delivered by request of the sender under the conditions stated above. J. B. DEWEY, Sec. (ARSON STAGER, Vice-Pres't, Chicago, Ill.) WILLIAM ORTON, Pres. P2 am

From Chicago
To Shaw Edison

Received at N. E. cor. Third and Olive Streets,
ST. LOUIS, MO.
Early 13 1878

*Beckle states it as a
fact don't know whether authentic
or not am expecting you
in morning*

Go N. B. Beck

17 D. H. Moore

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

T. A. EDISON.

No 1

9:52 am

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 24 1878

Edison Menlo Park

Can I accept twenty five
Thousand dollars cash
Telephone France and Russia
Puskas refuses he is bound
to Bailey answer
Hilborne Roosevelt

25 Paris
H. G.

T. A. EDISON.

No 1

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 24 1878

T. A. Edison

Chicago Ill

Hilborne Roosevelt cables

Can I accept Twenty five
Thousand dollars cash
Telephone France and Russia
Puskas refuses he is bound
to Bailey answer

T. A. Edison
per G

25 P.H.

Q

2 pm
H. G.

A.L.G.

Waug 24-78

If you can without any trouble
give me a few of Edison's Carbon buttons I
should be very much obliged - I made
a microphone by using battery carbon
& while I find it very sensible to any
noise yet it will not transmit the voice
except as a tone no words being distinguishable
I should like to see what I could do
with the buttons - Please try & get me
an early reply to the enclosed letter
Yr oblige

Yours
L.A. Ludwig

New York Aug 24-78

J A Edison Esq

Dr Sir

If you can by any means
let me have two more sets (4 stations) your telephone
to be paid for in ninety days you would
greatly oblige me & very probably benefit
yourself in the future - We have orders from
Costa Rica for quite a number of sets and
I find it impossible to obtain them - The ETS
cannot fill their own local demand - If
you cannot give me the box telephones
such as I last had can you not manage
somehow to obtain me 10 or 12 of your
Transmitters (as now in use by the ETS) along
with induction Coils, I can get along
with these by using the Phelps Receiver
which I can get here - If you can
do anything for me I wish you would
by the middle of next week - say Aug
28th or 29th

Very Truly yours L A Ludwig

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 26 1878

G. G. Ward
Direct Cable NY
Please send following when
convenient. Gouraud London
You may have half of telephone
interest in England just returned
home from west. Telegraph Puskas
that we send some other styles
telephone soon write Hilborne
Roosevelt Paris that Puskas
has full authority in matter
Edison

H25H

5:30 P.M.
9-24

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 28 1878

No 1 New York 25

Griffin Mrs.

Please get answer to my
letter if favorable would like
to have them tomorrow

Dr. S. J. Ludwig
Cong

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Aug 28 1878

L. A. Ludwig Esq

Can't furnish telephones
will write tomorrow

Griffin

C.D.H.

an end

7 Pm
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Express Note

To T. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park.
New Jersey -

From Geo. E. Gouraud
6 Lombard Street & Co.
London 29 Aug 1878

Yours of July 31st, also the two cases therein mentioned to hand. Adams is here putting up telephones. I have arranged for the use of a wire between London & Paris to try them on the cable next Sunday. Let me know immediately at what price telephones complete can be furnished from New York by the quantity.

Telephone Exchanges.

I understand there have been organized in several towns in America, if we get one complete partisans of their organization and forward with least possible delay.

How many of your telephones are actually in use in America at the present time?

GE

Montreal
Aug 30th 98

Dear Edison

Yrs. rec^d Will
transfer complete and
entire for one thousand
(\$1000.)

Please answer as
soon as convenient
and oblige

Yrs very
truly

J. H. Badger

[ATTACHMENT]

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., _____ 187

Release from Badger to Edison
giving up all claims agreements etc
on payment of \$1000,

Contract between Edison & G.T. Stock
Co. to pay a yearly royalty
of one dollar to Edison on each
Carbon Telephonic instrument ~~sent~~
~~to Edison~~ used in Canada during
life of patent, G.T. Stock Co
to pay the \$1000 which goes
to Badger

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited

10 Broad Street

New York 30 Aug 1878

J. A. Edison Esq:
Ment Park N.J.

Dear Sir

I have much pleasure in handing the
following telegram, which has been received for you
"To Edison

Forward English patents
Telephone, also copy contract with
Nottage, at what price per hundred
can Telephones per set complete. without
Batteries, be had from New York

Yours and

You never
called W.

Yours very truly
Geo. W. Ward
Supt

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J. Aug 31 1877

Gowrand,

Purchase copy there
will send ^{complete} ~~complete~~ ^{complete} ~~complete~~
Telephone for one station. - Twenty
dollars each.

Edison

[FROM JAMES ADAMS]

My dear Mr. Adams
London Sept 23 1855

J. A. Edward

Dear Sir

I recd some specimens just before
I left Paris for some untested people
By Postum & Bailey which is needless to
say was a. n. got four French papers
with articles about telephony, which
calls our title the Guy-Edison, I called
Bailey to account about it
When the following conversation took
Place between me and him
He showed the paper and asked him if he
had anything to do with it
No I had nothing to with giving it that
name, nor am I the cause of having
them published

Do you think it is right or is it
giving justice to Edison

No it is not right but we cant help
these things getting in to the Social

papers.

All right you know as well as I
do if I was to publish the truth
concerning the tests made with the
telephones it would hurt you deaden
them here, but so you and Puckas
is together in this thing and going to
make a big haul out of it. I have
refrained from doing it, but as you
say you had nothing to do with it
and it is not right that such things
should appear in the press, you
will have no objections to me
contradicting it and putting matters
straight.

I don't do that it has only ap-
peared in local papers and it will
never be known outside of them
and if you go and say anything more
it will show that there is still
feeling amongst us and hurt us with
the people that we are negotiating
with.

Yes it would hurt you this far
that they would not have anything
to do with your telephone at all
and you would be left out in the
cold.

Then he went to Puckas and told
him to talk with me about it, for
Adams was so thin skinned about
those little matters, that he might
take it into his head to contradict
it, and he would do it in such a
way that our people would think
that there was something wrong.
Might hurt us completely, he felt
in a chink of a way about it
and I intend to keep him that
way.

Now look here Edison Bailey
has spent a good deal of money
for newspaper press, I think there
was one sent to you which was
all Gray and mighty little Edison.

And in each and every case the Gray
has never been shown

I deny that the Gray tel.
was ever shown to any of the
Party that intends to buy it: nor
to any newspaper man nor to
the Public.

The Philo telephone was tested
at the first tests that was made.
But it was so low that they
would never show it any more
on a wire.

But they show it on a wire 300
yards long double wire, and one is
all the time on the long circuit.
But the comparison is, so great are
these conditions that no one wants
to hear it; it is so dark that I
can't see to write any more.

American that has just come over
say that the Edison telephone works
better in America than it does in N.Y.

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited

16 Broad Street

Sept 4 1878

J. A. Edison Esq.

Menlo Park N.J.

Dear Sir

I have much pleasure in handing
you the following telegram

W Edison

"Telephone works ~~well~~ beautifully - how many
stations can you ship immediately
half dozen or so very important all
relay instruments Adams here Paris
London trial next Sunday -

Sincerely
Yours very truly
Geo Grand
Supt
J.D.B.

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited

16 Broad Street

New York - 9th Sept 1878

J. A. Edison Esq^r

Mentor Park N. J.

Dear Sir

I beg to hand you the following
telegram which has been received for you &
also to inform you that Gouraud is pressing
for a reply to his last -

" J. Edison "

Can't get copy patent under
three months, cable your patent
solicitors to give me copy
immediately

Gouraud

Yours very truly,
Geo. G. Hardy
Supt

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited

16 Broad Street

New York 10 Sept 1878

J A Edison Esq

Manh. N.Y.

Dear Sir

I have great pleasure in handing
you the following telegram

To Edison

Dover & Calais tests great success
& from London to Dover perfect
Dover to London not so good
tube instruments not good on
bad wire - Brussels to Dover
first class. Dover to Brussels
nothing

Sincerely

Yours very truly
Geo G Ward
Supt
L.S.D.

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited

16 Broad Street

New York 13 Sept 1878

J. A. Edison Esq:
Menlo Park N. J.

Dear Sir

I have great pleasure in handing
you the following message, which has just
been received for you. —

Yours truly
Geo. G. Ward, Sup't
G.W.C.

To Edison

— Good Company will take license for
English Railways & manufactures only
giving ample provision for pushing
business immediately. You to have twenty
per cent profits with similar protective
clauses to tollage contract. They advancing
£1000 immediately license is executed, one
such company may be speedily followed by
others on possibly even better terms so long
delayed an early beginning highly important
Cable reply

Forward

Copy Telegram -

From J A Edison
To Geo E Gouraud
Date of receipt 17 Sept 1878 London

Send license papers will sign
and forward - make it twenty per
cent royalty instead of profits -
latter unknown quantity -

Express Note

To J A Edison Esq.
New York
Telephone. New Jersey -
From Geo E Gouraud
6 Lombard Street E.C.
London 21 Sept 1878

I confirm cable as annexed:
The papers are now in the hands
of the lawyers and will hasten
their completion and send them
to you as soon as possible -

THE UNDERSIGNED

- FIRST : - MR. JOSHUA FRANKLIN BAILEY, residing at Maisons Laffitte, party of the first part,
- SECOND : - MR. THEODORE PUSKAS, residing in Paris Auteuil, Villa Montmorency, party of the second part, and
- THIRD : - MR. GEORGES ALEXIS GODILLOT, Merchant, residing in Paris, No. 54, Rue Rochechouart, party of the third part,

have agreed upon the following :

FIRST : - Mr. Bailey is the owner of a French Patent, granted to him on the 20th day of August, of the present year, under No. 124,600, in force from May 2nd. last year, expiring May 2nd 1892. for Improvements in (speaking) Telephones and their accessories.

Mr. Bailey is furthermore the attorney with full power to act according to his best knowledge, for a term of one month from today in behalf of Mr. Elisha Gray, in regard to the French Patent, granted to him, on August 6th. of the present year, under No. 124,406., in force from May 10th of last year; expiring May 10th. 1893. for Improvements in Telephones and Accessory Apparatus.

SECOND : - Mr. Puskas is Attorney with full power to act, according to his best knowledge, for a term of one month, from today, for Mr. Thomas Alva Edison, in regard to the French

Patent, granted to him December 19th, 1877, under No. 121,687,
 in force from _____ and _____, expiring
 for Improvements in Instruments to control by sound the trans-
 mission of electric currents and the reproduction of corres-
 ponding sounds in the distance. An additional certificate
 has been taken out on the _____

Messrs. Bailey and Puskás have proposed to Mr.
 Georges Alexis Godillot to convey the use of these patents to
 a company to be formed between them, in the beginning for three
 years on trial, in the form of a simple partnership and, after-
 ward or in the course of this trial period, for the whole life
 of the three patents and the three additional certificates
 for improvements, made or to be made, --- to form a stock com-
 pany to which the entire ownership of said patents and acces-
 sories would have to be conveyed.

Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot has accepted this proposition,
 but, on condition first, as it is indispensable in order to
 form a regular and legal company which has to be registered;
 deposited and published in the month of its date, or else to
 be void. Messrs. Bailey and Puskás have to furnish proofs
 of their qualities or powers, entitling them to act in the
 names of Messrs. Gray and Edison, and furthermore Mr. Georges
 Alexis Godillot desires that during the time asked for these
 proofs of being empowered; these patents have to be submitted
 to the verification of a special engineer who has to decide
 whether all formalities in regard to these patents have been
 complied with; whether these patents have not been anticip-

ated by others, with one word, whether their use in France will suffer contestation or not.

The parties have today agreed to the following articles as a promise of title for the company to be formed, to be regulated immediately after Messrs. Bailey and Puskás have justified their qualities and powers, and after the report of the special engineer, demanded by Mr. Godillot, in the agreement with Messrs. Bailey & Puskás, has been received.

A R T I C L E "I".

Messrs. Bailey & Puskás, on their part, and Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot on the other part, agree that Mr. Armengaud Jeuns, Engineer, residing at Paris, No. 19. Boulevard de Strasbourg, shall be asked by them for his advice on the patents in question.

In regard to the accomplished formalities, their value in relation to other similar patents, which may have been taken out, and the possibility of using these patents Gray, Bailey and Edison in France, with legal right to use them.

If these justifications of qualities and the favorable report of Mr. Armengaud are received, within a month from this date, the formation of the Company shall be made without delay in the legal form, and, under the clauses, stipulations and conditions set forth.

ARTICLE " 2 "

Between Messrs. Bailey & Puskás, on one part and Mrs. Georges Alexis Godillot, and all the persons whom this latter will introduce as co-partners and one of these persons as responsible partner, on the other hand, a company on a collective name will be formed; respecting Messrs. Bailey & Puskás and a third person, to be named by Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot, and in common partnership with respect to the latter and all other persons whom he shall want to introduce in the formation of this company in common partnership and all this for the use in France and the French Colonies of the above mentioned patents of the said Gray, Bailey and Edison, together with all the supplementary patents and additional certificates taken and to be taken.

ARTICLE " 3 "

The duration of the Company shall be for three successive years, to begin from the date of the social act.

ARTICLE " 4 "

The seat of the Company shall be in Paris.

ARTICLE " 5 "

The firm and the social signatures shall be composed of the names of Bailey, and Puskás, to which either foregoing or

following shall be joined the name of the third person who has been called as responsible co-partner, by Mr. Alexis Godillot; this latter only being entitled to decide definitely the social firm with respect to the order of succession of the names of the responsible partners.

ARTICLE " 6 "

The responsible partners are only allowed to use the social signature when needed for social affairs, as filed in the registers; otherwise to be void.

Each acceptance or subscription in commercial matters shall be signed by either one of Messrs. Bailey and Puskás, and by the third party, in collective name, in order to be valid; so it shall be done with each enterprise or bargain, surpassing ten thousand francs.

ARTICLE " 7 "

Messrs. Bailey and Puskás will convey to the company for the time of its duration, the use of the said patents; and of all improvements made or to be made for this purpose, amounting to hundred thousand francs, which they would immediately dedicate for the company.

The third collective partner would convey the sum of	
Mr. Alexis Godillot and the parties	Francs: 10,000.00.
whom he will introduce at the time	
of regulating the social act, will	
convey together, the sum of	Francs: 190,000.00

T o t a l

Francs	200,000.00
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Every six months, the _____ and the _____
an inventory has to be made.

Messrs. Bailey and Puskás for their part and the third collective partner, would previously raise a total sum of 2,000 Francs, which would be charged for general expenses. Of these 2,000 Francs Messrs. Bailey and Puskás would get one half ; to be divided among themselves, and the third collective partner would get the remaining 1,000 Francs.

The collective partners have to give all their time and all their care to the Company. However Mr. Bailey and Mr. Puskas are allowed to absent themselves alternately, provided that one of them is always present in the Company.

The Expenses of the Company are to be principally ; rent for the places to be used, but the collective partners have to reside outside of the social seat; travelling expenses in

company affairs, salaries of clerks, laborers and employees
Duties of all kind, and Insurance.

The annuities of the patents shall remain to be charged
to the proprietors of the patents, above mentioned.

ARTICLE " 11 "

The profits and the losses shall be divided between Mess.
Bailey and Puskás, and the other partners; the latter in
proportion and pro rata of their respective payments.

The profits have to be delivered all six months at the
same time with the interests of the conveyances in cash, as
stipulated in Article " 7 ".

ARTICLE " 12 "

The dissolution of the Company can be demanded by one
or the other of the partners in the case that, according to
an inventory, the company would have lost 90,000 Francs, or
one half of the social capital.

ARTICLE " 13 "

In case of the death of one or two of the collective
partners, the company would continue with his widow, heirs
and representatives and the other members of the Company.

The widow, heirs and representatives of one or the other
defunct partners become simply partners and are only entitled
to their part of the profit, to which the defunct was entitled.

without being entitled however to raise the conveyances, made by the former. But, if the third partner should die, the company would be entitled to fill his place by another person who would have to furnish the social stake of the defunct.

In this case the widow, heirs, and representatives of the defunct would only be entitled to the re-payment of the social stake of their author, and to an indemnity equal to that stake which would have to be repaid to them by the new partner.

The death of one of the associated partners would in no respect modify the company, which would be continued with the widow, heirs and representatives, who, - if they were several people - shall be represented by only one of them for all verification of documents, relative to interests and benefits; in no case for judicial or sealed inventories, but only for commercial inventories.

A R T I C L E " 1 4 "

At the expiration of the term fixed for the duration and under the provisions hereafter stipulated for the continuation and transformation of this company:

The liquidation of it would have to be made by the collective partners.

Messrs. Bailey and Puskás would take back their original conveyance and the other partners would before all take back

their respective conveyances of the funds first realized by the liquidations.

The same proceeding would take place in case of an anticipated dissolution.

As the collective company and the simple partnership cannot be formed otherwise than under the name of a trial company and providing for a transformation if the exploitation of it shows a possibility for it; it is at the same time especially agreed that none of the partners, even in the course of three years, (none of the partners of the present company) can demand the transformation of that company into a stock company with a capital of 3,500,000 francs, for the time still remaining until the patents expire.

If it were Messrs. Bailey and Puskás who demand this transformation and one or the other of the other parties did not adhere to it, Messrs. Bailey & Puskás can, one month after a notification to every one of the members of the company, - this notification to be made by simple registered letter, addressed to each member, can, we say : bounce those parties who refuse to adhere, and reimburse to them the amount of their conveyance, interests and benefits included, up to the day of reimbursement, and the new union or stock company would then be formed between Bailey & Puskás and the other parties adhering, and of all the other persons who would adhere to the "By-Laws" on the basis hereafter specified.

ARTICLE " 16 "

Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot reserves for himself the right to become manager, if he chooses to, or to designate one or more managers, for the new company.

ARTICLE " 17 "

Messrs. Bailey and Puskás would convey into the new company the ownership of the patents " Gray : Bailey : and Edison " which they charge themselves to get transferred to that company in fulfilling the formalities required in this case; the expenses for this change have to be entered on general expenses.

The conveyance of patents in the ownership of the new company would be made by means of a sum of 900,000 francs, of which 300,000 francs cash would be furnished by Mr. Alexis Godillot himself or by other partners of the former company ; which 300,000 francs with the 100,000 francs already received when the former company has been regulated, would form a total of 400,000 francs cash and, in order to complete the 900,000 francs, Messrs. Bailey and Puskás would receive 500,000 francs in stock.

Messrs. Bailey and Puskás would therefore have the 7th part, in the company, and the benefits accruing from same.

Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot and the other members of the first company would take back their stakes in the first company

and Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot and the other members whom he would introduce, into the new company, or those of the first company, who would remain with him in the new company, would have the right to the title of "founders" and in proportion of the 400,000 francs, paid for the ownership of the patents to one million francs in shares.

The 2,000,000 shares remaining would be issued according to Law.

All the shares would be of 500 francs each.

The new stock company, (with regard to the stakes does not consist in the value paid for the patents; and for the particular advantages stipulated for the patentees as well as for the founders) will be subject to the two deliberations of the general meetings, provided for by the Law of July 24th which will then be observed in all its contents for the validity of the social treaty.

ARTICLE " 18 "

All rights of double registry, rights and amends, of the present conditional act shall be supported by that of the parties who will occasion it independently of all damaged interests for non-execution of the present case.

ARTICLE "19"

The parties select the City of Paris for domicile; Mr. Bailey especially, elects for his domicile No. 21. Rue Caumartin care of Mr. Ad. Moreau.

Executed in Triplicate, at Paris, this 21st day of September, in the year of eighteen hundred and seventy eight A.D.

Theo. Puskás.

Theo. Puskás,

1. Rue de la Bourse.

1878
Paris, September 21st. 1887

To

Thomas A. Edison,

Menlo Park,

New Jersey.

I the undersigned Theodore Puskás hereby agree to pay to you one half of all the profits I shall derive from the association I have just made with Mr. Georges Alexis Godillot and Mr. Joshua Franklin Bailey, the conditions of which are expressed in the accompanying copy of deed, signed by me ne varietur.

I remain dear Sir,

Yours very truly.

Witness :

Theo. Puskás.

Robt. M. Harper.

David T. S. Fuller.

U. S. Consulate General ;

Paris, France.

Personally appeared before me the undersigned Lucius Fairchild, Consul General of the United States of America, at Paris, in the Republic of France, Theo. Fuskás, personally known to me to be the person named in and executed the written instrument and he acknowledged to me, that he executed the same, truly and voluntarily, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and Official Seal, this Twenty Third Day of September, A. D. 1878

LUCIUS FAIRCHILD

U. S. Consul General.

Paris.

L. S.

THEO. PUSKAS

1. Rue de la Bourse?

Paris, le 20th Sept 1876

My dear Edison,

The day before yesterday I sent you 3 letters. -

Enclosed I send you a copy of the Power of Attorney, which I forwarded the other day, - please sign in duplicate before French Consul and notary and forward same without losing time by first two mails. -

Enclosed I send you also one of the originals provisional Contrats. -
Please send this one back. -

As you see by the Contract the time for forming the Company on a large scale is limited to 3 years, - you may be sure that our partner A. Goddard will do his best to bring the formation about as soon as possible, - after paying for the 3 years license 20,000 dollars and investing 20,000 more in the business. -

THEO. PUSKAS

1, Rue de la Bourse

2.)

Paris, le 18

Besides that - Godillot will make
a very nice profit on forming the
big Company - as you also see by the Con-
tract.

Godillot is the great Army Contractor
for in France. - He went into the
Affair not merely on a spec - but he
believes in the future of the Telephone
and is enthusiastic about it. -

I know that Bailey could never
have made here anything neither
with Gray's Telephone nor with Chelp's.

But I combined with him because
I thought that a fusion of telephones -
with and without battery (he covers the
whole field) - would bring us a better
price. -

Roswell would not make the
fusion. In haste

More tomorrow

Yours truly
Theodore Puskas

THEO: PUSKAS

1, Rue de la Bourse

Paris, le

18

Je soussigné Thomas A. Edison
demeurant à Menlo Park, New Jersey, États
Unis, - donne pouvoir à Mr. Théodore
Puskas, demeurant à Paris, Avenue,
Villa Montmorency -

de pour moi et en mon nom
apporter dans telle Société Française
qu'il jugera bon et cela même en
son propre et privé nom, comme
s'il était personnellement propriétaire
du droit à la jouissance et à l'exploita-
tion, le Brevet Français par moi ob-
tenu "pour perfectionnements dans les
instruments pour contrôler par le son
la transmission des courants électriques
et la reproduction des sons correspon-
dants au lointain", et qui m'a été dé-
livré par le ministre de l'Agriculture
et du Commerce le 19 Septembre 1877
sous le numéro 121687, - mais seulement
en ce que ce brevet concerne l'invention

nouvelle du Téléphone et à l'exclusion
de ce qui a rapport au Phonographe, —
ensemble sous certificat d'additions et
de perfectionnements pris, ou à prendre,
le dit apport fait toutefois pour un
laps de temps ne dépassant pas cinq
années.

Elle jouit tous avantages et toutes
conditions de Société à raison de l'ap-
port de cette jouissance de Brevet, en
recevra le produit et généralement
faire et provisions comme d'une chose
lui appartenant, sauf compte entre nous.

De plus je lui donne pouvoir de
prendre la propriété réelle de ce Brevet
aux prix et conditions qu'il jugera con-
venable, soit au cours de l'apport de
la jouissance qu'il en aura fait tempo-
rairement dans une Société, soit plus
tard, et dans ce dernier cas, après
justification préalable du paiement
de toutes les annuités, faire dresser
par acte notarié la mutation de
propriété de ce brevet d'invention, mais
seulement en ce que ce brevet concerne
l'invention nouvelle du Téléphone et à l'exclu-
sion de ce qui a rapport au Phonographe.

27-To prevent loss, please make remittance by Draft, Post-Office Order or Registered Letter.

L. G. Tillotson & Co.,

Manufacturers, Importers and Dealers in

Railway and Telegraph Machinery and Supplies,

Car Upholstery and Trimmings of every description,

L. G. TILLOTSON,
L. S. GREENLEY,

No. 8 Dey Street,

P. O. Box 1714.

New York, Oct 2 1878

J. A. Edison Esq

Menlo Park

Dear Sir

L. G. & Co have
some prospect of selling
a quantity of Telephone
in Spain. Can they
buy the Carbon Telephone
Complete from you
for sale in that Country
and if so for what
price? I suppose they
will want several hundred
if any. an early reply
will oblige
Yours truly
M. W. Goodyear

The Direct United States Cable Company Limited

16 Broad Street

New York 2 Oct 1878

J. A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park, N.J.

Dear Sir I have much pleasure in handing
you the following telegram which has just been
received here

Yours truly
Geo. F. Ward
Supt

To Edison

"Shew makes Continent to Puskas & myself
jointly - Expedite shipment new receiver
forward promptly all improvements

Gouraud

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited

16 Broad Street

New York 3rd Oct 1878

Mr A. Edison Esq^r
Menlo Park

Dear Sir The following message has been
recd here for you from

Geo. G. Ward
Supt
J. B.

Edison

Said immediately twenty transmitters
only with finding ~~the~~ posts also new
receivers without magnet if ready. Takes too
long to make anything here - Barrett's
~~the~~ introductory lecture great success
four and

T. A. EDISON.

10.6.7

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Oct 5 1878

Cable

2

Edison

Menlo Park

New Jersey

Power must be here by
twenty first.

Puskas

11 paris,

gk

T. A. EDISON.

1

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Oct 6 1878

Cable

Puskas

Paris

Papers go wednesday

5 paid.

12.45-
4-11

No. 4
[Service Message Form.]

21,000. 02-5-8.

The Direct United States Cable Company, Limited.

NEW YORK STATION, 7 Oct 1878

Recd. from	Rest or limited to
Time	Time
Clerk	Clerk

From.....No. of Message.....No. of Words.....

To Edison

Are any more telephones in the
way. Shall we go ahead & make
a lot like those already received,
or wait new model without signal
receiver - Harry forward a lot after
model you most approve

Samuel

Samuel M. Serrell's

OFFICES FOR PROTECTING

American and Foreign Patents,

76 CHAMBERS STREET,

(P. O. Box 4689.)

New York, Oct 6 1878

Puskas

Paris

Powers sent to
Brandon and Morgan: one rue Laffitte
~~Brandon & Morgan~~ telegraph corresponding
~~to new machine~~

18.

10 \$ 682

Brandon

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 12 1878

New York 12th ~~1878~~
Edison menlo Park New Jersey
Dear company I received an
opinion of me and
Manufacturers. must meet
promptly forward all
usefull documents
Adams

20-115

Blank No. 1.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

This Company TRANSMITS and DELIVERS messages only by electric wires, including telegraphy, which have been secured only by the payment of the following charges:
There are no parties except only by repeating a message back to the station for signature, and the charges are the same for all messages sent by day or night, and for all messages sent by day or night.
The Company is UNBESPOKE and is not bound by the terms of the order until the conditions are met.

A. R. BREWER, Sec'y.

NORVIN GREEN, President.

Dated Sept 15 1878 1878.

Received at by mail Oct 18

To Adams Howard

London,

Tell Adams let them

~~injunction fight the~~

your an

Oppose injunction ~~main~~

~~main~~ ground patent void.

account previous publicity.

if they beat us dont matter

in least ^{ought} new receivers ~~to~~ without

be sent you soon, ~~new receivers~~

~~new receivers~~

they are infinitely superior

to anything yet discovered

READ THE NOTICE AT THE TOP.

U

Montreal

Oct 15 1878

Dear Edison

Yours of 9th inst. recd. Call right send the documents along.

What is the affair with which you have so excited the New World? Please enlighten me.

Can I operate for you here?

Yrs &c
G. J. Banger

705
This Agreement made this ^{21st} ~~11th~~ day of ^{Jan} ~~Oct~~ eighteen hundred and seventy ~~eight~~ by and between Thomas A. Edison of Menlo Park, Middlesex County New Jersey, party of the first part, and The American Speaking Telephone Company, a corporation organized under the laws of the State of New York located and doing business in the City of New York party of the second part, witnesseth:

Whereas said party of the first part has invented certain improvements in Speaking Telephones for which letters patent of the Dominion of Canada numbered 8,026, were on the seventeenth day of October eighteen hundred and seventy seven duly granted to him, and whereas said party of the first part has also invented certain other improvements in Speaking Telephones for which he has applied or is about to apply for Letters Patent of the Dominion of Canada, and

Whereas the said party of the second part is desirous of acquiring all the right title and interest of said party of the first part within the Dominion of Canada in and to said inventions and improvements in Speaking Telephones and in all letters patent which are or may hereafter be granted for the same.

Now for the consideration hereafter mentioned the party of the first part hereby agrees to execute and deliver to the party of the second part good and sufficient assignments vesting in said party of the second part the whole right title and interest of every character, in, to, under and connected with said Letters Patent granted and to be granted.

In consideration whereof the party of the second part covenants and agrees as follows:

First. To pay all fees, charges, and expenses of every character whatsoever which shall be necessary to procure and maintain any Letters Patent of the Dominion of Canada, granted or hereafter to be granted, for the inventions of the party of the first part relating to Speaking Telephones.

Second. To cause the manufacture of the said patented inventions of the

party of the first part to be commenced and to be continuously carried on within the Dominion of Canada at such time and in such manner as to comply with the requisitions of Section XXVIII of the Patent Act of 1872.

Third. To make full and true returns (during the life time of said letters patent) to the party of the first part, or his duly authorized representative on the first day of _____ in each year of all sets of speaking telephonic apparatus constructed under said letters patent, which have been put in operation by them during the twelve calendar months then last past, it being understood that each set so called shall consist of one (1) transmitter, and one (1) receiver, and one (1) call or alarm. And if said party of the first part shall not be satisfied with any such return, then he shall have the right, either by himself or his attorney, to examine any and all of the books of account of said party of the second part, containing any items, charges, memoranda or information relating to the manufacture, sale or lease of said patented invention in the Dominion of Canada, and upon request made, said party of the second part shall produce all such books for said examination.

Fourth. To pay to the party of the first part a royalty of one dollar in gold per annum for each and every set of telephonic apparatus leased or used under said letters patent within the Dominion of Canada during the life time of said letters patent, the whole of said royalty for each year being due and payable within thirty days after the regular return day as heretofore provided. And in case said party of the second part shall sell any set or sets of such telephonic apparatus, ^{to the general public} it shall have the right to commute the royalty of one dollar per year upon such set as heretofore provided, by paying to the party of the first part in lieu thereof the sum of five dollars for each apparatus so sold, and after such payment has been made, all liability either of the party of the second part

or of the purchaser of such apparatus, for the payment of any further royalty to the party of the first part shall wholly cease.

Fifth. To stamp or engrave the year of the date of the patent upon each patented telephone put in use by them in the Dominion of Canada under the said Letters Patent in such manner as to fully comply with the provisions of section XLIX of the Patent act of 1872.

Sixth. To execute and deliver to the party of the first part a good and sufficient license vesting in him and his assigns the sole and exclusive right to make, sell, and use, and vend to others to be used for any uses and purposes not directly connected with or applicable to telegraphic transmission any and all of the said patented improvements and more particularly that part of the same relating to the phonograph or apparatus for receiving articulate sounds, to the full end of the term for which the hereinbefore mentioned letters patent are or may be granted.

In witness whereof the parties above named (the said American Speaking-Telephone Company by its President) have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first above written.

Thomas A. Edison.

The American Speaking Telephone Company by

George Walker
President
The Bell and Block Telegraph Company

per

George Walker
his proxy

This document is to be given to the general public
in the second form of notice first
inserted before signing

555
att
J. A. Bell

Edwin and I will
telephone to go to Laredo
+ who contract the patient
there? Anybody?
C. H. H. H.
and.

Gold & Stock Telegraph Company

P.O. Box 5045.

Western Union Building.

George Walker,
Vice-President.

New York, Oct 16th 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq.
Morningside Park,
New Jersey.

Dear Sir,
Mr. Cary and Mr. Pope are now at
work upon a draft of the Canadian
Contract, and Mr. Cary would be pleased
to have you call, at his office, and
see it before it is finally reduced
to writing.

Yours very truly,
George Walker
Vice-President

copy

The Telephone Company, Limited
(Sole Proprietors of Bell's Telephones)
36 Coleman Street
London 18th Oct 1878.

Thomas A. Edison Esq
6 Lombard St
London E.C.

Dear Sir,

Before replying to your letter of the 12th inst - addressed to our manager Mr. McBlure. I have taken the opportunity of laying it before my Board of Directors.

You are doubtless aware that this Company has paid a large sum of money for the patent rights generally known as Bell's Telephone patent, and the Directors of the Company are bound to protect those patent rights against all infringements.

Believing, as the Directors do that the Telephones which you use are an infringement on those patent rights, & feeling sure that you would not knowingly infringe them.

I am instructed to call your attention to Patent No 4765 dated the 9th day of December 1876 and to request you to point out the grounds upon which you consider that the Telephones in use are not covered by such patent.

I need scarcely say that if your Telephone prove to be an infringement I shall be glad to enter into an arrangement to protect our mutual interest.

I am Dear Sir
Yours truly W. H. Morris Secy.
Telephone Co. Limited

To. J. A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park
New Jersey

NOTE

FROM

GEO. E. GOURAUD.
6 LOMBARD STREET, E.C.
LONDON, 18 Oct^r 1878.

Puskas and Bailey

It seems Bailey has succeeded in amalgamating with Puskas. In fact it seems very much as if he had amalgamated Puskas into himself and whatever business has been done so far as I can learn has been done by Bailey whose persistence we have ourselves experienced. Now I am told that you expressly objected to any such amalgamation and a previous letter from yourself to me confirms this impression, where you state that "Bailey has nothing that Bell has not" or words to that effect. Bailey says that you entirely approve what Puskas has done with him Adams says it is all rot and nonsense that Bailey has not anything and that we do not need to have anything to do with him. Adams is also of opinion that it has not been due to any telephone that Bailey controls which has enabled him to get hold of Puskas but simply his superior cleverness to Puskas himself. Bailey is now over here trying the same thing on me and I have given him distinctly to understand the following:—

(1)

That if he has a telephone (he talks now of Philips, rather than Gray) which is independent of Bells, and independent of batteries, and as good for short lines as Edison's, and can show me that he can "get as much money for his alone as I can get or want for Edison's"; that if he can persuade me, as he professes to believe himself, that by combining we can both get twice as much as otherwise, then of course I will see the desirability of combining with him, but I was obliged to tell him that the only experience I have had with his telephone was when he had told me it was "working perfectly" in London and where it happened that it was in an office of a personal friend of mine where I saw it myself and found that it did not work at all and my friend in whose office it was, said that it had not worked at all except once or twice a feeble sound came through though no practical conversation. Hence it would be useless for Mr. Bailey to waste any more of his time or mine until he first can show me practically his telephone in operation and enable me to judge the whole question upon that basis. This he has proposed to do.

I had no hesitation in telling him that from my experience with Mr. Perkins and the very little I had seen of himself (Mr. Bailey) that it would not at all surprise me if he had found it possible to amalgamate Mr. Perkins into himself without having any telephone whatever and that while he might consider that a very great compliment to himself. I must beg him to accord me at least the compliment of not supposing that he could amalgamate himself into me unless he had a telephone and one whose merits were quite beyond question, as I flattered myself that I could manage this business without either him or his telephone but that he would not find me unreasonable or difficult provided he had something tangible and desirable to deal with.

Now it must be obvious to you as well as to myself that if what he states be true, it may be expedient to combine with him, and as I cannot judge of this matter as well myself as you can - I mean as to the practical value of what it is he contends in what he calls the "Phelps Telephone" I must ask you to give the matter your immediate attention and advise me fully by letter, and a single word by cable.

will be sufficient to know the essence
of your decision. By the word "alone"
I will understand that I have "as one hand"
and need not bother myself with him.
The word "together" will intimate that
he has something and that I shall await
your letter.

Preese came the other day to see the
Telephone but too late in the day there
was nobody in the office at the other end
of the wire. He will call again a week
hence when he returns to town. He professes
to be very glad to hear that it is so great
a success. Seems still very grieved over
the affair with you. I will have a talk
with him when he comes again and
see if I can get him to take back anything

All the parcels for various newspapers
duly received and forwarded.

W. E. Emerson

Gold & Stock Telegraphs Company,
Western Union Building,
P.O. Box 5647.

George Wallcut,
New Haven, Ct.

New York, Oct 19th 1878

Thos. A. Edison Esq.,
Menlo Park,
New Jersey

Dear Sir,

Yours of the 16th has been received;
as advised in my note to you of that
date, the ^{paper} ~~paper~~ ^{is} ~~is~~ ready and will
be forwarded as soon as you have
seen it.

Yours very truly,
George Wallcut
vice West

[FROM JAMES ADAMS]

London Oct 20th 1788

J. H. Sedgwick

I rec^d your two letters
to day will send by
next mail the desired
information. I go to Paris
on the 22^d. But will
not be able to stay
very long. as I have got
my hands full here.
But shall divide my
time up between the two
places as best I can
Pookus was here this

Henry could not send as before the old time present time

London

any person

perfectly

This day, and wants to know how soon I can go to Italy. But it will be impossible for me to go for a month yet.

Bell people is rather softening than otherwise. I don't think they will trouble us just yet.

Blakely & Co. is going ahead making our telephones independent of them I think they would rather come to some kind of terms with us than go to law. However it remains to be

seen what they will do.

This fine apartment will be the first to have our telephones in. Their wires is mostly underground & very hard wires to work.

I could put in any number of them if I only had them.

I have got a private place in Courau's office for

experimenting. It looks quite a small laboratory I

got in to day 112 full batteries. I have had him

experimenting on his batteries for some time back & he says that they will last

eight months, or he ~~will~~
charge nothing for them,
and very cheap and make
very nice looking boxes
two cells in a case. I like
the Western Union form
better than any I ever seen
and they take every one away
here. That is the style I will
make in the future, only
I put two recovers in place of
one. you speak about
deprecating Pikes actions
I tell you everything I hear
how and wherefrom and
you can be your own
judge & hearing to hear
from you soon
I am yours truly John

Saw the Editor of
the Journal of the Telegraph
and he feels sure that
the reason that you
did not send him some
cuts was because you
think that Preese is in
some way connected with
the paper. he says he once
was but not now. he
wanted me to ask you
if you would ^{be} kind enough
to send him a cut of
yourself. I believe he
~~has~~ has written to you

himself. The few tube
telephones that I have
made I will use them
someway out in the country
they are good enough
for short & quite wires
I wish you would
send me a good stock
of Lamp black as early
as you can, and I
wish you would send me
a Bradley Reostate I am
in want of that very bad
as I am going about from
place to place I would
like to have my own
measuring apparatus
don't forget to send that

THEO. PUSKAS
1, Rue de la Bourne

Paris, le October 30th 1877

My dear Edison.

In regard to the proposition of Messrs. Telletson and Co. which you communicated me by your letter of 4th inst. I think it quite practicable and any arrangement which you might make in regard to the royalty to be paid on each instrument as well as to the control would be satisfactory to me, with the express understanding, however, that their right to export telephones to Spain expires on the day that I dispose of the patent for the said country, which I hope to do soon as the beginning of trade with France and as I have only lately been able to show the telephone practically.

You would oblige me by forwarding copy of any agreement you might make with the said gentlemen, as it will be necessary for me to have it when negotiating the patent.

Very truly yours

Theo. Puskas
Mn.

NY Oct 26th 88

to
Isak & Tichtenstein
and Oct 28th 88

THOMAS A. EDISON, INC.,
NEW YORK,
N. Y.

New York, Oct. 26th 1888

Thomas A. Edison Inc
Menlo Park
N. Y.

Dear Sir,

We are
instructed by Mr. H. L. Visschoffs,
heim, London to make you a pay-
ment of about \$400.- for account
of Messrs Andri's, Angot, for telephones
and other instruments.

Will you be kind enough to
give us the exact amount due you
from the above firm? We will then
send you check by return of mail.

We are, Dear Sir

Yours very respectfully

Isak & Tichtenstein

To. Mr. A. Edison
Munro Park
New Jersey)

NOTE

FROM

GEO. E. COURAUD
6, LOMBARD STREET, EC.
LONDON, 26th Oct^r 1878.

I beg you will send me duplicates
of all printed matter the same as you
send. Pustkas. Altho he always sends
what you request him but is in such
a hurry to get them back & it is very
necessary to keep all the information
we can in the office.

G. E.

Confidential

To J. A. Edison Esq.
Mendota
New Jersey

NOTE

FROM

GEO E GOURAUD
6 LOMBARD STREET, E.C.
LONDON. 26 OCT 1878

Puskas

I had an interview with Mr. Brown
of Messrs Brown & Jensen this morning.
Seeing that he was somewhat nettled as
regards something connected with Puskas, I
asked him very frankly what was his reason
for his apparent poor opinion of Mr. Puskas.
After some hesitation he gave several reasons
but as only one concerns you and your honor
I trouble you with it alone viz:—That Puskas
had borrowed of him sums of money for the
payment of Batteries in connection with
his first Langham Hotel experiment with the
Telephones up to the amount of about £20
which Brown states he has repeatedly called
for but without success; that he tried to see
him in Paris but wholly failed after many
efforts. At last meeting him in an Exchange
office where he was changing some money,
and seeing he had some £20 in his hand
he said to him "Oh! that is just the sum I

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Confidential

"want and I want it very much" thinking that he might thus get square but he states that Pinkas put him off with a "will attend to it tomorrow." Since then he has not been able to hear further from him.

I regard this in much the same light as I did the Vallance affair and for the same reasons viz: that he can do nothing of a discreditable nature without reflecting discreditably upon you because of the fact of his publishing himself so conspicuously as your agent. I therefore immediately told Mr. Brewer that I would be responsible for the amount on your behalf.

Now, my dear fellow I would not tell you these things but I feel that you should know them in your own interests. I am sure you will not misunderstand my motive. There must be some fire where there is such a continual smoke. With two such instances of as positive character coming from such responsible sources and direct from the principals to myself there is at least great reason why you should be most cautious in extending your relations with him.

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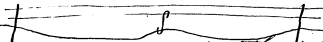
Paris
Oct 20th 1878
Adams
Recd Nov 13-78

Villa Montmorency
Paris Oct 20th 1878

W. A. Edison

Dear Sir
you don't write very often to
let a fellow know what you are
doing I have been over here now
one week but return to London to-mor-
row night as they won't be ready
to do anything here for 6 days yet
so I will gain time by going to
England for the next few days.
glad I came to Paris. There has been
no telephons here for the
last two months except a few days
before I came over and every thing
was busted. at any rate they only
could just hear it by talking very
loud so they thought telephons was
given out. I tried them to day
and found it so. tested telephons
and found them as right as a book

took train and went to end of underground wire looked on to the Paris end. Puckers talking was so loud that we could hear him 10 ft away from receiver in open air next time the Versailles end and could hardly hear it; the wire that runs from there on poles is very heavy and poles far apart so the wire hung very low it is a covered wire, so they hung it up like this with iron hooks.



Between every pole, so it cut through the insulation and crossed with the other wires all the way along the line so I have got another wire for tomorrow to show the parties that that came to see it the other day when everything was a complete failure. But most of them had heard it before, and knew there must be something wrong although no one could tell what. I will see those experiments O.K. tomorrow & leave tomorrow night for London, will be back to Paris again next week. Got a telegram from Gouard to day

to come over right off. I am going to make some long line tests in England for Prof. Barritt and others will let you know the results by cable, as soon as I have made them.

I must say that the press and day work first class made up all the lamp black that I have got. Carbons less resistance than yours.

I find it is not needful to use silk. It takes a little longer time to adjust them but when you get them you have them a little bit of anything left stuck on the end of the titanium, just as well. But that is not needful.

I have been to see Count de Morcel since I came over. He still inclines towards Hughes. I have seen nothing of him in London and don't want to.

yours respectfully

Jin

J. A. Edison

6 Lombard St

T. A. EDISON.

4 Paid

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 30 1878

Gouraud
London

Alone; Emphatically
Edison

5 Menlo Park
Oct 30, 78

3:50 PM
L. P. W.

T. A. EDISON.

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4am

Menlo Park, N. J., Oct 31 1878

New York 30
Edison
Ma

Bravo that speaks infinitely
your confidence and justifies
any delay we will be
all ready for you and alone
Emphatically

Gouraud

20 paid
ma 9

[illegible]

GEO. E. GOURAUD

6. Lombard Street &c.

London. *H. J. W.* 1878.

My son Eric

Ball Co. Wisconsin

Your answers is grand
 But the next reason is
 a curious. I have
 simply informed them
 that I have a letter
 from you very pertinent
 to the question & that
 as it contains some-
 thing of great signif-
 icance to themselves

I will if be pleased
to read them and
that if they ever
take the trouble to
call here in the
person of either their
Chairman, Mr
Mauger or their
Secretary -

When Sir James
sent them you may
depend upon it they
will give us no
trouble.

Very truly
Yrs. J. Edwards

Personal

To. *Thos. St. Edmonson Esq.*
Mount Park
New Jersey

NOTE

FROM

Henry
the
the
the
GEO E. GOURAUD.
6 LOMBARD STREET E.C.
LONDON. *10 Nov 1878*

My dear Dixon,
Combining with Bailey

The addition of the word "emphatically" in your cable yesterday ("alone emphatically") quite threw me off the track, coming so soon after my long and expensive cable correspondence about the ~~Beaklight~~ ^{Beaklight}. I thought you ~~meant that~~ ^{meant that} "alone emphatically" in the negotiations. Then I thought alone emphatically as regards combining with other Lights and now, no sooner have my letter and cable to you left the office than it flashed upon me that the "alone emphatically" referred to the cipher word "alone". I gave you in my letter of the 18th inst. My reply however was equally appropriate to both cases.

In the light of your recent advice to me I do not see how it is possible that you can have approved Purkiss's combination on the Continent but with that affair I have nothing to do. It has always been a mystery to me why he has combined with Bailey but you may rely upon my going it alone here ~~and~~ emphatically to your hearts content.

To.

NOTE

FROM

GEO E. GOURAUD.
6 LOMBARD STREET EC.
LONDON. 7 Jan 1878.

J. A. Edison Esq.
Menlo Park
New Jersey

My dear Edison;

Colt Reynolds a Director in
Bell's Company and who really organised
it and brought out Bell here has just
arrived from America with a letter
of introduction from George Palmer to
myself in connection with other business
and to his surprise and apparent satisfaction
found that I was your Representative in
the Telephone matter. We have had
two hours talk the gist of which is
that he says the present Manager is an
ass and will immediately be replaced
and he found at a meeting of that Board
yesterday an evident determination under
the counsels of McChesne to pitch in at
once with legal proceedings but that
after he (Reynolds) had expressed
himself as opposed to any such
procedure the tactics were at once changed
and the essence of what Reynolds
says is that he is against fighting
whether there is infringement or not.
That to fight on infringement would be
very expensive and possibly fruitless.

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and that it was his opinion that if there was another telephone in the world likely to be better than Bells and independent of it it would be yours and that Mr. Board agreed to take no steps in the legal direction until they had exhausted the subject in other ways. I was very cordial with him but quite "non-committal" except in so far as to state to him that he would no doubt be able to thoroughly satisfy himself that your telephone with the new Receiver was wholly independent of Bells and that upon that theory we should proceed with our organization whatever might be the action of the Bell Company but that he might rely upon any propositions or suggestions from them receiving most careful consideration.

It happens that Mr. O'Neil of Reynolds' letter of introduction to me was to get my services in a matter of far more importance to himself than his telephone business is.

I am waiting with all possible patience the arrival of the new Receiver meanwhile the nucleus for the Edison Telephone Company is increasing daily in strength.

Yours very truly
Geo. E. Howard

(2) per H. H. Kingsbury

New York, N. York 5. 1878.

J. H. Edison Esq.

Dear Sir,

I refer to your favor of 7. inst.
by regarding the Telephone
and the Cables and Manila
Houses, please forward me
as soon as possible the price
per ft. for the same and also
as well as with particulars
and advice.

Yours truly

E. H. Johnson

40. forenoon station
including battery.

W. R. Johnson

E. H. Johnson

NY Nov 8 78

Chapelton

And Nov 11-78

The For and Station
including better

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[Faint handwritten signature or name.]

T. A. EDISON.

Menlo Park, N. J.,

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Nov 9, 76

THE
Clarence Carey off on a
Wedding trip will not
return for a month

HLG

my proposition in reference
to transfer of agency for the
Telephone and stating
that release and Cash could
be sent shortly, since
which time I have received

1878
Montreal Nov. 7th

Dear Edison

I rec^d. a note from
you dated Oct. 9th accepting
my proposition in reference
to transfer of agency for the
Telephone and stating
that release and cash would
be sent shortly, since
which time I have received

nothing further in refer-
ence thereto.

Please explain
and oblige

Yours sincerely
J. H. Badger

T. A. EDISON.

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Menlo Park, N. J.,

Nov 11 1876

J. H. Moxall
13 Barclay st NY

Letter rec'd. Do not come
await my letter
S L Griffin

9 Collect
11 20 1876
E. M. A.

T. A. EDISON.

2 ms

Menlo Park, N. J.,

Nov 11 1876

Gouraud
London

Alone emphatically refers to

Bailey See your own letter

11 Paris Menlo Park N. J. Nov 11 1876

10 30 a m
9 m

22- To prevent loss, please make remittances by Draft, Post-Office Order or Registered Letter.

L. G. Tillotson & Co.,

Manufacturers, Importers and Dealers in

Railway and Telegraph Machinery and Supplies,

Car Upholstery and Trimmings of every description,

L. G. TILLOTSON,
R. S. GREGLAY.

No. 8 Dey Street,

P. O. Box 1714.

New York, Nov 14 1878
J. A. Edison Esq
Mendota Park N.Y.

Dear Sir

In reply to yours
of 5th I will say we
when we wrote you Oct 2nd
we had to submit estimates
for a Telephone System and
thinking the Edison the best
wanted to figure on them
if possible. On receipt of
yours of Oct 4th we handed
in our estimate based on
another telephone as mine
was too short to wait for
advice from Paris. There
is nothing more to be done
in the matter if we do not
get the Carbon etc. If we do
send the Carbon Telephone
will not cost much more
the one we estimated on and
may then open the matter

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No. 8 Dey Street,

P. O. Box 1714.

New York, _____ 187

again. Meanwhile if
we have occasion to
send other estimates to
that country we will
advise you and shall
be glad to have your
figures subject of course
to conditions named by
your firm's act.

Yours Truly
L. G. Tillotson

NY Nov 14 78

L. G. Tillotson & Co

Regarding ~~Spinal~~ Telephone

New York March 14. 1858.

J. M. Edison Esq.
Manhasset Park.
Dear Sir,

I am obliged to you for
favor of 11th inst. and shall
transmit packets to my Japan
friends, one of the packets of
which is at present in Europe.

Now state what permission
or dispensation you allow and
also whether you would be
inclined to place the Agency
of your representatives for Japan
China, Philippines, Poland &c.
into the hands of my friends,
all A. I. Americans and under
what conditions. Your early
reply will oblige me. Truly
Yours
Wm. M. Davis E. M. Mayo Esq.

one thousand dollars
as soon as the paper
has been executed.

Yours truly
George Washington
New Port

GOLD & STOCK TELEGRAPH CO.

G. WALKER, Vice-Pres.
P. O. Box 519.

New York, Nov. 23^d 1878

Thomas A. Edison Esq
Menlo Park
New Jersey.

I enclose
herewith the paper for
assignment of your
patent. Please
return same by mail or
execute the same. We
will then and the
paper to be signed by
Bodger to Montland
with instructions to our
agent to draw on us
in his favor for

J- Cable Dec 5. 78

Edison
Menlo Park
New Jersey

Brandon received today
fifty thousand
Purkas

9 paris
maly

Les Soussignés :

1. M^r. Alfred Berthon, Ingénieur Civil,
Demeurant à Paris, 51, rue de la Chaussée d'Antin;

D'une première part,

2. M^r. Joshua Franklin Bailey, Négociant
Demeurant à Paris, rue St Arnaud N. 2;

D'une deuxième part,

3. M^r. Elysée Puskas, Négociant,
Demeurant à Paris - Aubert, Villa Montmorency;

D'une troisième part,

4. M^r. Georges Alexia - Godillot,
Négociant, Demeurant à Paris, rue Rochecouart 5 H;

D'une quatrième part,

5. M^r. Alphonse Branoy, Chevalier de
la Légion d'Honneur, propriétaire, Demeurant à
Paris, 61, rue Rochecouart, D'une 5^{ème} part,

6. M^r. Alfred Chataud, Ingénieur Civil,
Demeurant à Paris, 40, rue de Berlin;

D'une sixième part,

7. M^r. Thomas William Evans modern
dentiste Demeurant à Paris, 15 rue de la Paix

D'une septième part,

Sont convenus de ce
qui suit :

Article 1^{er}.

Il est formé entre les Soussignés une
Société Commerciale qui sera en nom collectif
à l'égard de M^r. M^r. Berthon, Bailey et Puskas,

et en Commandite seulement, à l'égard de M. M.
Alexis-Godillot, Branoy & Chataud,

Laquelle Société aura pour objet l'exploita-
tion des Brevets français ci-après désignés, —
pour les Téléphones parlants & leurs accessoires.

Art. 2.

La durée de la Société sera de trois années
consécutives, à compter du premier janvier mil
huit cent soixante-dix-neuf.

Art. 3.

Le siège social sera à Paris, —
Avenue de l'Opéra, N° 115; —

Il pourra être, du consentement unanime,
transporté partout ailleurs.

Art. 4.

La raison sociale sera :

" Société du Téléphone Edison, "

La signature sociale sera :

" A. Berthon & C^e. "

Les trois associés en nom collectif
auront la signature sociale; ils ne pourront
en faire usage que pour les besoins & affaires
de la Société inscrits sur les livres, à peine de nul.

Toute acceptation ou souscription d'effets
Commerciaux devra être signée par M. Berthon
par l'un de M. M. Bailey & Pothas, pour être
valable. Il en sera de même de toute entrée en
ou marché dépassant dix mille francs.

Art. 5.

Les Associés en nom collectif devront tout leur

temps et tous leurs soins aux affaires de la société, néanmoins, M. M. Bailey et Puskas pouvant, à tour de rôle, s'absenter, pourvu que l'un d'eux reste toujours à la société.

Article 6.

Le fonds social est fixé à Deux cents mille francs, qui sont fournis, savoir :

Par M. Berthon, à concurrence de : —
 Vingt-cinq mille francs, ci. — 25,000. f.
 par M. Georges Alexis Godillot
 quatre-vingt-cinq mille francs 85,000 —
 par M. Bonney, cinquante mille 50,000 —
 par M. Chatard, quinze mille francs 15,000 —
 par M. Elan, vingt-cinq mille. 25,000 —
 par —

Somme pareille 200,000. f.

M. M. Bailey & Puskas apportent à la société, pour les trois années de sa durée, et moyennant une somme de cent mille francs, qui leur a été présentement versée sur le fonds social la jouissance du Brevet français ci-après, savoir :

1°. La jouissance du brevet français de cinq ans, du 19 Décembre 1877, N°. 124,687, appartenant à M. E. Thomas, Alva Edison, pour des perfectionnements dans les instruments, pour contrôler par le son, la transmission des courants électriques et la reproduction de son correspondant au lointain avec jouissance du certificat d'addition, d'échiré le

Est réservé et non apporté dans la Société tout ce qui dans le brevet Edison concerne le phonographe.

2° La jouissance du Brevet Français De 15 ans, pour des perfectionnements aux Téléphones Du 5 Février 1878, N° 122,452, pris par M. M^{rs} Roosevelt & Breguet.

Est réservé et non apporté dans la Société, la partie de ce brevet concernant les Téléphones à membrane unique.

3° La jouissance du Brevet Français De 15 ans, N° 124,600, du 10 mai dernier et devant expirer le 2 mai 1892, pour des perfectionnements dans les Téléphones parlants et leur accessoirs, appartenant à Monsieur Bailey.

4° La jouissance du brevet français Du dix Nove dernier, N° 124,406, pour des perfectionnements dans les Téléphones et leur appareils accessoirs, appartenant à M^{rs} Elsie Gray.

5° La jouissance Du brevet Français De 15 ans, pour un appareil de transmission téléphonique, dit Microphone-parleur, du 21 Juin 1878, N° 124, appartenant à Monsieur Verrey.

6° La jouissance du brevet De 15 ans, pour un appareil électrique applicable aux transmissions téléphoniques et autres, du 25 septembre 1878, N° 124 enregistré N° 115271, appartenant à M^{rs} Messieurs Mondria & Bailey.

Ensemble, la jouissance de tous perfectionnements pris ou à prendre pour le dit brevet, sauf pour —

la part qui résultera et en desus, spécifier des Brevets Edison (phonographe), et Roosevelt et Breguet (Téléphone à membrane unique?)

Les deux cent mille francs du fonds social produiront des intérêts sur l'opid de cinq pour cent par an, payable par semestre, à chacun des associés faisant l'apport respectif, au prorata de leur apport.

Art. 7.

Les opérations de la Société seront constatées par des écritures régulières, tenues conformément à la loi. — Les écritures seront constamment à jour.

Pour les six mois, c'est à dire le 30 Juin et le 30 Décembre, et pour la 1^{re} fois le 30 Juin 1879, il sera dressé un inventaire général de la situation active & passive de la Société.

Ces Inventaires seront transmis sur un Régistrier spécial et devront être signés par les gérants.

Les Commissaires auront un délai de vingt jours pour contester ces Inventaires, à partir de la remise d'une copie certifiée du résumé de l'inventaire que les gérants devront leur faire tenir dans les dix jours de leur date. Passé le délai de vingt jours, sans et en l'absence de toute contestation, l'inventaire sera réputé approuvé.

Art. 8.

M^{rs} Berthon aura droit à un prélèvement mensuel de 2000 francs.

Et M^{rs} Bailey & Berthod auront droit chacun à un prélèvement mensuel de cinq cents francs. Ces prélèvements seront portés au Compte

de Train généraux.

Art. 9.

Les Train généraux comprennent, en outre
dans leurs intérêts ci-dessous :

Leur intérêt du Capital social ;

Le loyer des lieux de l'exploitation seulement
leur associé en nom collectif devant habiter dans
le siège social.

Les frais de voyage en France, pour les affaires
de la société, les appointements des Commis, ouvriers
et Employés, les appointements de toute nature et les assurances.

Les annuités des Brevets resteront à la charge
des propriétaires de ces brevets.

Art. 10.

Les bénéfices de la société, déduction faite des frais
généraux, seront partagés par moitié :

Une moitié appartenant à M. M. Bailey &
Puthas, qui se la partageront, savoir : Une tierce à
M. Bailey et deux tiers à M. Puthas. Etant
ici expliqué qu'ils se partageront dans la même proportion
la cent mille francs à eux versés sur le fonds social.

Le cas de transformation ci-après prévu, se pré-
sant, M. M. Bailey & Puthas se partageraient
leur bénéfice, par action dans la même propor-
tion de deux tiers à M. Puthas et d'un tiers à
M. Bailey.

Dans tous les cas, ils supporteraient dans la
même proportion, les pertes pouvant tomber à leur
charge.

La seconde moitié des bénéfices totaux apparti-
era

appartiendra à M. Berthon et aux Commanditaires
pour se la partager dans la proportion et au prorata
de leur mise de fonds.

Les pertes seront supportées dans la même pro-
portion, dans tout cas, que les commanditaires puis-
sent être obligés au-delà de leur mise sociale.

Les bénéfices seront répartis, tous les se-
maines, en même temps que les intérêts des
actions en espèces.

Art. 11.

La dissolution de la société pourrait être de-
mandée par l'un ou l'autre des associés, dans le
cas où l'un d'eux inventerait la société de trouverait en
perte de cent mille francs, moitié du Capital
social.

Art. 12.

En cas de décès de l'un ou de deux des associés
en nom collectif, la société continuerait avec les Nouveaux
Associés et Représentants, et les autres membres de
la société.

Les Nouveaux Associés et Représentants de, ou
des associés, de cession devenus simples Commenda-
itaires, et n'auraient droit qu'à leur part de bé-
néfices, afférente à la mise sociale de la société
sans avoir droit au prélèvement de ce dernier.

En conséquence, si c'était M. Berthon qui
viendrait à décéder, le commanditaire aurait le droit
de le faire remplacer par telle autre personne qu'elle
présenterait et qui devrait tenir de fournir la mise
sociale de la société. Dans ce cas, les Nouveaux

héritier et représentant du décès n'auraient droit
qu'à ce remboursement de l'apport social de leur auteur
et d'une indemnité égale à cet apport, qui leur serait
payée par le nouvel associé.

Le décès de l'un des associés commanditaires
ne modifierait en rien la société qui continuerait avec
ses Veuves, héritiers et représentants qui s'ils étaient
plusieurs, devraient se faire représenter par l'un d'eux
seul pour toute vérification d'écriture, perception
d'intérêt et bénéfice dans aucun cas, pas d'inventaire
ni sceller, mais, seulement, inventaire commercial.

Art. 13.

À l'expiration du terme fixé pour la durée,
et sans la provision ci-après stipulée pour la
continuation et la transformation de la société,
la liquidation en serait faite par les associés
en nom collectif.

M. M. Bailey & Pustkas reprendraient leurs
apports en nature et les autres associés reprendraient
leurs apports respectifs, sur les premiers fonds réalis-
able par la liquidation.

Il serait procédé, de même, en cas de liqui-
dation anticipée.

Art. 14.

La présente société, en nom collectif et en
Commandite simple n'étant formée qu'en titre d'essai
et en provision d'une transformation si l'exploitation
en présente la possibilité, il est, dès à présent, spécia-
lement convenu que chacun des associés pourra deman-
der, même au cours des trois années de la présente
société,

Société, la transformation de cette société en société en
commandite, par actions, au capital de Trois millions
Cinq cent mille francs pour tout ce qui resterait à
couvrir de la durée des dix années.

Ci ce sont, M. M. Bailey & Pustkas qui de-
mandent cette transformation, et quel l'une ou l'autre
des autres parties n'y adhère pas, M. M. Bailey
et Pustkas pourront, un mois après une mise en
demeure à chacun des Membres de la société, mise
en demeure faite par simple lettre chargée, adressée
personnellement à chaque membre, pourront, s'ils n'ont
passé outre, en remboursant à celles des parties re-
stant l'adhésion, le montant de leurs apports inté-
rêts, dividendes et bénéfices au jour du remboursement
et la nouvelle société en Commandite par actions se
formerait alors entre M. M. Bailey & Pustkas, et
les autres parties adhérentes de toutes personnes
qui adhèreraient aux statuts sur les bases ci-
après stipulées.

Art. 15.

Dans le cas où M. Georges Alexis Godillot
adhérerait dans la société transformée puisqu'il a été
dit ci-dessus, il se réserve la faculté de devenir
alors gérant, si bon lui semble, ou de désigner un
autre gérant pour la nouvelle société.

Art. 16.

M. M. Bailey & Pustkas appartiennent
dans la nouvelle société la propriété est réservée
pour leur apportant la jouissance actuellement
et la portion réservée aux brevets. Dans les

Les brevets Edison, et Roosevelt et Breguet restaient réservés à ces brevets.

En conséquence, M. M. Bailey et Puskas prenant l'engagement personnellement et solidairement entre eux de faire passer ces brevets au nom de cette société en remplissant les formalités voulues, le cas échéant.

Leur finir de cette mutation seraient parties aux frais généraux.

M. M. Bailey et Puskas remettent présentement aux mains de M. Berthou, qui en restera dépositaire pendant toute la durée de la société actuelle, les pouvoirs ci-après, à eux donnés, notamment, pour opérer la transmission de la propriété des Brevets, en cas des transformations présentement prévues de la société, savoir:

1^o Pouvoir sous seing privé donné par M. Edison à M. Puskas, en date à New-York, du 7 octobre 1878, certifié par M. A. Borecaux, notaire public, légalisé le même jour au Consulat Général de France, timbré & enregistré à Paris le 9 sept. 85. Dedit moi d'Octobre, ff. 145 c. 1^{er} aux droits de 375^{rs} et légalisé par M. Meunier, Ministre des Affaires Étrangères à Paris le 9 sept. 85 dedit moi d'Octobre.

2^o Pouvoir sous seing privé donné par M. Gray et M. Bailey, en date à Philadelphie du 27 octobre 1878, certifié par Monsieur James B. Pellet, Notaire public légalisé le même jour par M. Meunier le Consul de France à Philadelphie et à Paris, par M. Meunier le Ministre des Affaires Étrangères, le 26 du même mois, timbré & enregistré à Paris, le 28 du dit mois ff. 149, R. 24 H, aux droits de 375^{rs}.

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3^o Pouvoir sous seing privé donné à M. Bailey par M. Mandrin, en date à Paris du 28 novembre 1878, enregistré le 29 du même mois, ff. 52, C. 8, aux droits de Paris francs, septante-vingt centimes.

4^o Pouvoir sous seing privé donné à M. Bailey par M. Vorey, en date à Paris du 28 novembre 1878, enregistré le 29 du même mois, ff. 52, C. 9, aux droits de Paris francs 75 centimes.

Tous lesquels pouvoirs, sont dûment certifiés par ledit Mandrin.

Enfin, M. Bailey justifie qu'il a acquis la propriété du brevet de M. Joseph Roosevelt de Breguet, en ce qui concerne la partie par lui apportée dans la société, du dit acte reçu par M. Grandelle Notaire à Paris, le quatre Décembre courant.

Cet apport de brevets en propriété de la nouvelle société, fait fait engagement aux fonds de 1500 cent mille francs, dont deux cent mille, espèces, qui leur seraient versés par M. Alexis-Godillot seul, ou avec la cautionnement d'un des premiers droits, lesquels 300,000, avec les 100,000. D'ici acquis formeraient un total de 400,000, espèces, et pour compléter les 900,000 M. M. Bailey & Puskas recevraient 500,000. D'actions.

M. M. Bailey & Puskas amient donc dans la société, le septième des parts totales et la banquette d'affrentes.

M. Georges Alexis-Godillot et les autres Membres de la société, se joignent pour approuver leurs apports dans la première société et M. Georges Alexis-Godillot et les autres Membres qui se joignent dans la nouvelle société, pour approuver la première, qui restait avec lui dans la nouvelle société, avaient droit à titre de fondation de 25 actions. Les quatre cent mille francs versés pour la propriété du brevet, à un million d'actions.

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Les 2,000,000^f. d'actions restant, seraient émises conformément à la loi. = Toutes les actions seraient de 500^f. l'une.

La nouvelle société, pour l'apport ne consistant pas en numéraire de brevets, et pour les avantages particuliers stipulés tant pour les brevets que pour les fondateurs, devrait fournir aux deux sociétés l'assentiment des assemblées générales prévues par la loi du 24 juillet, qui seront observées alors dans tout son contenu pour la validité du pacte social.

Art. 17. = Il est formellement convenu que les associés en nom collectif de la société actuelle, pendant cette société, ni au cours de la transformation, si elle a lieu, ne pourront, en aucun cas, s'intéresser en France, directement ou indirectement, à une affaire quelconque de télégraphe ou autre appareil similaire, mais, au contraire, qu'ils devront apporter à cette société dans toute rémunération, tous perfectionnements quelconques qu'ils pourraient découvrir ou acquiescer, et, ce, à peine de tels dommages-intérêts que de raison, et sans préjudice de toute action en nullité, d'abus d'exploitation, et conussons d'illogisme contre eux et contre tous tiers. = Toute action de ce genre pourrait être intentée et suivie par l'un seul des associés responsables & même par un commanditaire.

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Art. 18. = Les parties sont élues à domicile à Paris, en leur domicile respectif. = Le Tribunal de Commerce de la Seine sera seul compétent pour connaître de toutes contestations qui pourraient survenir.

Art. 19. = Pour déposer et publier la présente, leur pouvoir joint donné au porteur d'un double O.

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To.

M. A. Edison Esq
Westerly Bldg
New Jersey

NOTE

FROM

GEO E GOURAUD.
8 LOWBARD STREET E.C.
LONDON. ENGLAND. 1878.

I have received the Telephones
and Complants for London.

Telephones Exchanges in America

I have received a few printed papers
concerning these, and you get for me
some information as to the number
of Lines in the United States in
which the Telephone Exchanges system
has been inaugurated and a few
examples of its rapid growth,
giving Statistics.

I am anxiously awaiting new Receivers
to say nothing of the Electric Light.
Hope you will not have forgotten
to cable me the day the new
Receivers will.

Geo. E. Gouraud,
Spec. Telegraphy.

Edison's
Electric Pen & Multiplying Press
address
Geo. W. Blinn
General Manager 142 So. La Salle St.
Chicago, Ill. C. W. 1878

T. T. Edison Esq.
Windsor Park, N. J.

Dear Sir,

Please send me
particulars of the foreign
Telephone Sale & the amount
of money which you have
for me. As "my friends"
all say I am "busted", You
cannot do a better thing for
me than to send on my
share of the spoils. I
shall be very glad to
receive it.

Respectfully,

Geo. W. Blinn
Gen. Mgr.

21. Nov. 15th 1878

Received from Thomas A. Edison

One thousand Dollars.

On account of Patent Telephone agreement.

\$1000⁰⁰ Chas. Batchelor

EDISON'S PRESS
ELECTRIC PEN

Address
GEORGE H. BLISS,
 Genl. Manager.

142 La Salle Street, Chicago, Dec. 5, 1878

T. A. Edison Esq.
 Menlo Park, N. J.

Dear Sir:

Your check for two hundred dollars on account of the Puckas Telephone Sale for France is the first ray of genuine sunshine which has fallen on me in a long time.

I hope it is a happy omen of the return of something like my old luck.

It is needless for me to add anything in expressing appreciation for the friendship from which this remuneration came.

Please accept this as your receipt.

Respectfully

Geo. H. Bliss

T. A. EDISON.

1 Menlo Park, N. J., Dec 16 1877

Ruskas

Paris

For Adams Allen sails algeria

7 paid Menlo Park Dec 16

8 Pm.
9 Dec

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New York Dec 26-78

JA Edison Co.

Dr Sir

Enclosed please find check

for \$122⁴⁰/₁₀₀ - items as follows

Royalty on 12 Telephones @ \$10⁰⁰/₁₀₀ each \$120⁰⁰/₁₀₀

2 Doz Carbon Buttons @ 10⁰⁰/₁₀₀ each 240
\$122⁴⁰/₁₀₀

This accounts for all Telephones obtained by
me up to date ^{since last payment} Please acknowledge receipt
of check & oblige

Very truly yours

HA Ludwig

197 Broadway

P.S. Many thanks for your kindness in waiting
payment

L

New York 124

T. A. Edison

Prece
says Adams all
right, goes to Paris
tomorrow.

Greens

(C.S.)

THE EDISON
SPEAKING-TELEPHONE COMPANY OF LONDON,
LIMITED.

Incorporated under the Companies' Acts, 1862 and 1867, whereby the liability of each Shareholder is limited to the amount of the Shares he subscribes for.

CAPITAL £ in SHARES of £1 EACH.

FIRST ISSUE of SHARES, payable as follows:-
per Share on Application.
" " " Allotment.

Shareholders desiring to pay up their Shares in full will have the option of so doing

Further issues of Shares will be made as the Company may require further Capital, when application from Subscribers to the present issue will have priority over all others.

DIRECTORS.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

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BROKERS.

SOLICITORS.

PATENT AGENTS

Messrs. BREWER & JENSEN, 38, Chancery Lane.

CONSULTING ELECTRICIANS.

THOMAS ALVA EDISON.

TELEPHONE ENGINEER.

SECRETARY & MANAGER.

OFFICES.

The Directors have obtained from the eminent inventor, Mr. THOMAS ALVA EDISON, the sole right to furnish upon lease or otherwise within the limits mentioned on the other side, EDISON'S CANNON SPEAKING-TELEPHONE, together with all improvements of the same which he may hereafter make.

Excepting the Phonograph, also the invention of Mr. Edison, probably no invention ever excited so much interest and astonishment as the Telephone. The attention of the public having been so recently drawn to the subject in its practical as well as theoretical aspect it will be unnecessary to refer to the objects which Telephones attain.

The first instruments of the kind introduced into this Country have been found to be limited in their practical utility, owing to the faintness with which the voice reaches the listener, the uncertainty of their action and their total impracticability upon wires of great length.

Mr. Edison, by an entirely different system, has succeeded in producing an instrument which not only supplies all the deficiencies in question, but has carried the practical utility of the Telephone beyond the most sanguine expectations originally formed.

By means of Edison's Telephone, it is possible to converse at almost any distance, the voice being perfectly recognizable and as clear and distinct as in ordinary conversation. Music performed at one end of the wire is re-produced with unflinching accuracy at the other. Where desired, the instrument may be so adjusted as to emit the words or sounds transmitted in sufficient volume to be heard throughout a large room.

These Telephones are also adaptable to great lengths of wire, conversation having thus far been successfully carried on between PHILADELPHIA and BALTIMORE *via* PITTSBURGH, a distance of about 700 miles. The first pair of instruments having been but recently received in this Country, only the following trials over long distances have as yet been made, viz. :—

Between LONDON and DOVER,
DOVER and CALAIS,
and DOVER and BRUSSELS *via* OSTEND,

thus clearly demonstrating the efficiency of the Telephone under the various conditions of overhead and underground land-lines ; and sub-marine cables, separately, and in combination.

The superiority of these Telephones over the existing Telegraphic Instruments and Speaking-tubes will inevitably lead to their superseding those systems, whilst their complete efficiency and extreme simplicity must render certain their adoption for the large number of purposes to which all existing means of communication are entirely unavailable.

It is impossible to define a limit to the practical application of a system affording such simple and convenient means of communication ; the Directors would however suggest the wide field of operations the Company have immediately open to them in the supply of Telephones for houses, stables, to connect outlying buildings, offices with works, branch-warehouses, &c., as well as the still larger field of usefulness in bringing the inhabitants of one town into direct communication with those of another.

The formation of Associations, with the object of rendering the Telephone available for the use of the general public, will probably result upon its advantages becoming fully realized, and the supply of instruments and material to such Associations will be another source of revenue to this Company, in addition to the large demands which may reasonably be expected from more private sources.

The district within which this Company has the sole right to manufacture, buy, sell or lease Edison's Telephone is as follows :—

Comprising the parishes of
in addition to all other places which may not be included in a license to any other Company or person save and except the supply to Railway Companies.

It is proposed that the Company should supply Telephones on lease at an annual rental, connect them with existing wires or undertake the laying of new wires where necessary.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association, together with the Contract between Mr. Edison and the Company, may be inspected at the Offices.

(First Proof)

THE BRITISH RAILWAYS
SPEAKING-TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED,
EDISON'S PATENTS.

CAPITAL £100,000, in SHARES of £1 EACH.

First Issue of 25,000 Shares, payable as follows on Allotment:—

Provision is made by which Shareholders who so desire may pay up their Shares in full.

Further issues will be made as the business may require further Capital. In respect to further issues applications from Subscribers to the first issue will take precedence over all others.

The Company is registered under the Companies' Acts, 1862, 1867, and 1877, by which the Liability of Shareholders is limited to the amount of their Shares.

DIRECTORS.

CONSULTING ELECTRICIANS.

THOMAS ALVA EDISON.

TELEPHONE ENGINEER.

BANKERS.

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SECRETARY & MANAGER.

OFFICES.

The Directors have been fortunate in securing from the world-renowned inventor, Mr. THOMAS ALVA EDISON, a license under his Speaking-Telephone Patents by which the Company will enjoy the exclusive right of furnishing upon lease or otherwise what is known as the Edison Carbon Telephone as well as all improvements of the same which he may hereafter make, so far as its use may be applied to the Railway Companies of Great Britain.

The purposes of the Telephone are already too well known to render any lengthy description necessary.

Excepting the Phonograph, also the invention of Mr. Edison, it may be safely said that no invention ever excited so much interest and astonishment as the Telephone.

The first instruments of the kind, brought before the public in this Country, were what is known as Magneto-Telephones, which however have been found to be limited in their practical utility owing to the faintness with which the voice reached the listener, the uncertainty of their action and their total impracticability upon wires of great length.

Mr. Edison's invention not only supplies all the deficiencies in question, but has carried the practical utility of the Telephone beyond the most sanguine expectations originally formed.

By means of the Edison Telephone, it is possible to converse at almost any distance, the tone of voice being perfectly recognizable and as clear and distinct as in ordinary conversation. Where desired, the instrument may be so adjusted as to reproduce the sounds at the receiving end in sufficient volume to be heard throughout a large room.

These Telephones are also adaptable to great lengths of wire, conversation having thus far been carried on between points miles apart in America. The first pair of instruments having been but recently received in this Country, only the following trials over long distances have as yet been made, viz. :—

Between LONDON and DOVER,
DOVER and CALAIS,
and DOVER and BRUSSELS, *via* OSTEND,

thus clearly demonstrating their efficiency under the various conditions of overhead and underground land lines and sub-marine cables separately, and in combination.

The efficiency and simplicity of Edison's Telephone will thus put the different Managers and Employés into direct communication with each other without loss of time or possibility of error, thus materially diminishing the risk of accidents and permitting the more expeditious and economical discharge of all business.

It is difficult to define a limit to the practical application of a system affording such conveniences as the instruments in question.

The annexed Table of Statistics will give some idea of the extent to which Telegraphic Instruments are now used by Railway Companies, and afford a basis for estimating the profits which this Company may reasonably expect to derive from supplying Telephones to supersede those instruments besides the still larger number which will doubtless be used for purposes to which all existing systems of communication are entirely unavailable.

It is proposed to lease the Telephones at an annual rental, and it is believed by the Directors whose opinion is supported by numerous gentlemen of experience connected with Railways that a large business will be done.

The only Contract which has been entered into is between
for
the Company on the one part and THOMAS ALVA EDISON of the other part. This contract may be inspected at the offices of the Company and is to the following effect :

Summary of Contract with Mr. EDISON.

- 1.—The Company to have the exclusive right to sell or lease to the Railway Companies of Great Britain, Edison's Speaking Telephone.
- 2.—For which purpose the Company may either manufacture or purchase the necessary instruments.
- 3.—Mr. Edison to receive a Royalty of _____ per cent. of the price charged by the Company either for rental or sales.
- 4.—Mr. Edison to receive not less than _____ per instrument if sold or _____ per annum if leased.
- 5.—The sum of £ _____ to be paid to Mr. Edison in advance on account of Royalties. No further payments or credits will be made to him until the advanced payment is worked off.
- 6.—Mr. Edison to have the right of appointing one Director at any election of Directors who shall also be a Member of the Executive Committee, such Director to be entitled to appear and vote by proxy, having one vote on the Board and at Shareholders' Meetings a vote equal to _____ per cent. of the total share issue being proportionate to Mr. Edison's Royalty.

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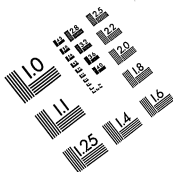
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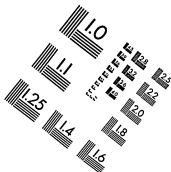
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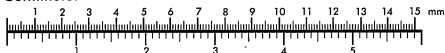


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